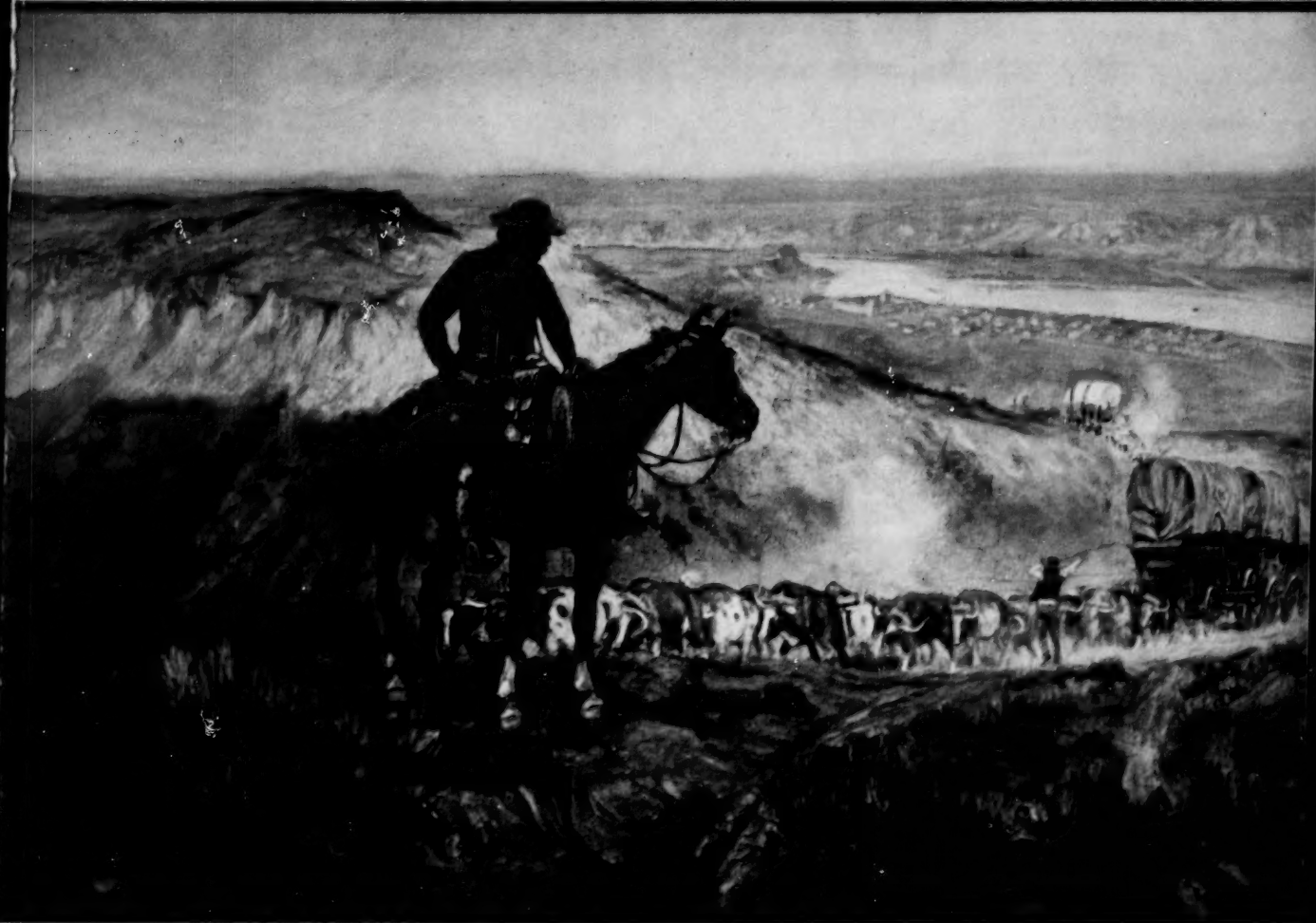


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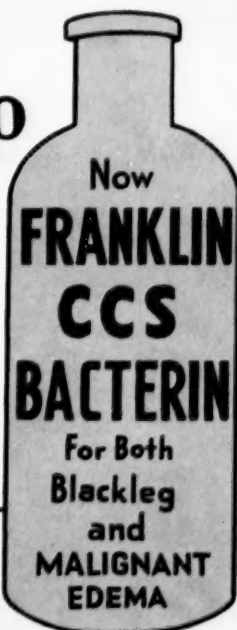


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The Cattleman Cover THE WAGON BOSS

By CHARLES M. RUSSELL

FOR this month's cover we went to the Thomas Gilcrease Institute of American History and Art at Tulsa, Oklahoma. This great museum was founded by Thomas Gilcrease and is now owned by the City of Tulsa. It is operated under the Tulsa Park Board. James T. Forrest, former curator for Colorado state museums is the executive director.

There are nearly 4,000 paintings and 150 pieces of sculpture in the Gilcrease collection. The Russell and Remington Rooms are famous and works of these two great artists are on permanent display in these rooms.

We are deeply indebted to Mr. Forrest and the City of Tulsa for permission to reproduce this Russell painting on our cover.

Fact Finding Committee To Study Beef Production and Marketing

Recommendations to be submitted at Special Meeting in Denver April 27

THE importance of a "look ahead" as well as consideration of problems which have plagued the beef industry recently was uppermost in the thinking of the special "fact-finding" committee of the American National Cattlemen's Association which met in Denver recently.

Recommendations of the committee for a program of coordinated research will be submitted to the presidents of 28 affiliated cattle groups at a special session in Denver April 27. The committee was established by the American National to study "all factors" in production and marketing of cattle and beef.

Chairman John M. Marble, Carmel Valley, Calif., said that the committee believes that the future of the industry is not one of limited opportunity "but will be what the entire industry, working together, makes of it."

Marble said that an overall economic analysis, supported by cattlemen, is required to assure a reasoned and coordinated development of the future potential.

"We must plan ahead to be able to take advantage of progressive changes which are inevitable if beef is to maintain and build its competitive position," he said.

Members of the committee attending the initial session included Tobin Armstrong, Armstrong, Texas; Roy Houck, Gettysburg, S. Dak.; Milford Vaught, Bruneau, Idaho; Albert Mitchell, Albert N. M.; and Martin Domke, Greeley, Colo.

Meeting with the group as technical consultants were three outstanding agricultural leaders. They were Prof. John H. Davis, Harvard University Graduate School of Business; J. Earl Coke, vice-president, Bank of America, San Francisco; and Prof. Herrell DeGraff of Cornell University. President Roger Corbett of New Mexico A. and M. College consulted with the group by telephone from a hospital bed.

The committee emphasized that future studies should embody such elements as the competitive position of beef, opportunities for expanding the market through greater efficiency in production, distribution and merchandising, and production of products specifically designed for market desires and needs.

Marble explained that although the committee felt that study of future possibilities would be more promising than dwelling on past problems, it did emphasize that study of recent history is essential to avoid repetition of past mistakes by any segment of the industry.

It was pointed out that a central problem of the industry is adjustment of supply to demand at a reasonable price, with such adjustments coming through restriction of supply or increases of demand.

Among the other topics fully considered by the committee were the need for more orderly marketing; the effect of government intervention on the livestock industry and on general agriculture; buying, merchandising and operational practices of packers and retailers; federal grading of beef; possibilities of increasing by-product values through research; such marketing factors as direct selling, one-day markets, etc.; and the need for more adequate market reporting and dissemination of supply and demand information.

In appraising the future market for beef, the consultants outlined several factors ahead which will have a direct bearing upon producers, feeders, packers and retailers. Among them were the possibilities of tenderizing beef from animals with light finish; more pre-cutting and packaging of beef at central plants with consequent savings in transportation and increased by-product utilization.

Also pictured for the future were greater standardization of beef cuts offered at retail, with many of today's familiar cuts consolidated into a relatively

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Quality, convenience and a new abundance for the average home will result from tomorrow's streamlined industry, the consultants observed. But they emphasized that a major objective for beef growers is to bring together all segments of the production, processing and distributive team so that all can work to gain the benefits of progress.

U. S. D. A. Television Film on Beef

THE U. S. Department of Agriculture has released a new one-minute, public service television spot announcement about beef. Release of the film was timed to coincide with seasonally large beef supplies and with the livestock industry's campaign to increase beef consumption.

An old-time carnival strong man stars in the film, animated cartoon. The barker of the sideshow points out that beef helps build strong bodies, has a delicious flavor, can be served in a wide variety of ways, and is in plentiful supply. He is accompanied by a lively calliope music as he displays large carnival posters illustrating various beef dishes. The film is being distributed to television stations for use as a public service spot announcement.

Numbers of cattle and calves on feed at the first of the year added up to 6,099,000—a record-large number, and a 4 per cent increase over last year's figure. These grain-fed cattle now are coming to market, and supplies of high-quality beef will increase during the spring months, providing a seasonal abundance for consumers.

The livestock industry is backing a campaign to boost beef consumption during the spring months. Leaders of the industry believe that aggressive merchandising during this period of generous supply will help expand the market for beef through normal trade channels. The industry campaign will be conducted throughout the next two months, "peaking" from May 9 to May 18.

USDA has pledged its support to the industry's self-help efforts, through its Plentiful Foods Program—a program aimed at stimulating demand for plentiful farm commodities. Beef currently is being featured on USDA's Plentiful Foods List.

The new public service film was produced to inform consumers that abundant supplies of beef are available to them. It is being distributed to television stations as a part of USDA's efforts to expand farm markets through increased consumption.

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WOOL production, shorn and pulled, in the United States in 1956 totaled 272 million pounds, according to the Crop Reporting Board. This was 1 per cent below the 1955 production. Of the total wool production in 1956, 232 million pounds were shorn wool and 40 million pounds pulled wool. In 1955, total production was 276 million pounds, of which 234 million pounds were shorn and 42 million pulled. The 1945-54 average production of all wool was 288 million pounds, of which 243 million pounds were shorn and 45 million pounds pulled wool.

The estimated price received by growers for shorn wool during the period April 1956 through January 1957 was 42.7 cents per pound. The average price received during the 1955 wool marketing year was 42.6 cents per pound and the 10-year average price was 54.6 cents. Value of sales for shorn wool produced in 1956 was estimated at 99.2 million dollars, less than 1 per cent below the 99.8 million dollars received for the 1955 clip and 24 per cent below the 10-year average.

The number of sheep and lambs shorn in 1956 totaled 27.2 million head, a decrease of 1 per cent from the number shorn in 1955. This compares with the 10-year average of 29.7 million head shorn. The weight per fleece was 8.52 pounds, only slightly below the record high of 8.55 pounds in 1955.

Pulled wool production in 1956 is estimated at 40 million pounds, a decrease of 4 per cent from 1955. Commercial slaughter of sheep and lambs during 1956 was 1 per cent below 1955. The average weight of wool pulled per skin was 3.44 pounds compared with 3.53 in 1955.

Mohair Production Up 8 Per Cent

**All States Except California Showed Increases
In 1956—Texas Largest Producing State**

MOHAIK production in the seven leading States in 1956 is estimated at 18,233,000 pounds. The 1956 clip is 8 per cent larger than the 16,923,000 pounds produced in 1955 and 22 per cent larger than the 10-year average of 14,905,000 pounds.

All states showed an increase in production from 1955 to 1956 except California where production was unchanged. The higher production resulted for the most part from a larger number of goats clipped, as the average weight per clip showed little change except in Missouri. Texas, the largest producing state, accounted for 97 per cent of the total 7-State production in 1956.



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Federal Meat Grading

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This committee was headed by Tobin Armstrong. Other members were E. S. F. Brainard and Howell E. Smith.

WE will review here the subject of Federal meat grading with the objective of determining how Federal meat grading can be improved by simplification, standardization and most important, by its reorientation to modern technical knowledge.

Basic Considerations in Meat Grading

The present Federal grading system for beef provides for eight separate grades: Prime, Choice, Good, Standard, Commercial, Utility, Canner and Cutter.

The physical characteristics which are considered in the determination of these different grades are "conformation," "finish," and "quality."

(a) Conformation is the proportion of various wholesale cuts as determined by the general shape or contour of the carcass.

(b) Finish is the proportion of fat, lean and bone as determined by the degree of fatness on the outside and interior of the carcass and the quantity of fat that lies between the muscling.

(c) Quality is determined by the texture, color, firmness of flesh and the degree of marbling.

These three physical characteristics are presumed to be the dominant factors which determine the relative value of one beef carcass compared with another. It will be immediately apparent that these characteristics are:

(a) Subjective in character—that is, they cannot be specifically and objectively measured;

(b) they are continuous in their gradation throughout the range from the highest to the lowest quality of beef; and

(c) since there are not one but several factors involved showing continuous gradation, there are innumerable combinations of these various physical characteristics either within or between grades.

Official Federal Grades

The subjective and indefinite nature of grading can be illustrated by the following statements from the official grade description for beef as published by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

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Good grade beef carcasses . . . are slightly compact and blocky in conformation and the fleshing tends to be slightly thick throughout.

Obviously, when grade description must be couched in such relative terms as "blocky," "moderately thick," "tends to be slightly thick," etc., the measuring system can be no more accurate than the human judgment which is applied by the individual grader with reference only to a mental image which he has acquired from his own experience and from color photographs of carcasses illustrating combinations of characteristics which qualify the carcasses for the lower limits of each grade.

Beef does not lend itself to easy classification into a few well defined grades.

The complication associated with the fact that there are countless possible combinations of grade-factors is indicated by the following statement from the official USDA regulations on grading:

"Because it is impractical to describe the nearly limitless numbers of such recognizable combinations of characteristics, the standards for each grade describe only beef which has a relatively similar degree of development of conformation, finish and quality and which is also generally representative of the midpoint of each grade."

This problem is further complicated by the fact that it is not unusual for one part of the carcass to be different in grade from another part.

The purpose of this discussion is to show the dependency which the system places on human judgment. Furthermore, it illustrates the difficulties which are bound to arise, even with expert graders,

when the system is applied on a broader scale than it was designed to accommodate. At the outset, Federal grade standards, patterned on existing general classifications, were designed primarily for meat market reporting purposes and in addition to provide some degree of uniformity in beef buying by various government agencies, state institutions, etc.

During World War II, and again during the Korean emergency, Federal grading was put on a mandatory basis in an effort to control prices on beef and other meats. Under the OPS controls, the "value" of beef and cattle depended very largely upon the grade stamp which the grader put on the carcass. Quality gradations within the grades were not recognized. Except for the black market, beef sold at one fixed price for each grade.

The seven years of compulsory grading under OPA and OPS gave considerable impetus to the wholesale buying and selling of beef on the basis of Government grading. Table 1 in the Agricultural Marketing Service's "Review of Federal Meat Grading" gives the following figures:

In 1940 after thirteen years of government grading 8.06% of total beef production was graded. In 1954 following seven years of compulsory grading under OPA and OPS 45.94% of the total production was graded. This figure assumes even greater significance when we consider that 85% of meat graded is in top three grades. Because of this experience, and because of the tremendous advertising value of the term "U. S. Choice," many of the large retailers have adopted the policy of buying only Government graded beef. It is estimated that perhaps as much as 45-50 per cent of the beef now sold through retail stores is

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Government graded. The proportion for chain stores is, of course, much higher. Under this situation, while grading is still deemed to be voluntary, it is in effect compulsory.

Beef Grading and Price Making

Thus with beef grading becoming virtually mandatory, grading is being pushed into a price-making function which goes beyond the intentions of those who originally developed grade standards—standards which are useful in giving broad general interpretation to the market for cattle and beef, but which are not capable of providing specific, measurable standards of quality for each degree of variation that exists for this product. * * *

Few People Know About Grades

Another aspect of the beef grading problem which should be noted is that the grading system does not in fact perform the function at the consumer level which some claim for it.

It is hardly realistic to claim that grading aids and protects consumers when the great majority of consumers do not differentiate one Federal grade from another, and when it is customary practice for stores to handle only one grade. This was borne out by a recent study of the Denver market by the Colorado and Wyoming experiment stations. * * *

Conclusion:

At this point we might reasonably draw these conclusions:

1. The fact that there are no objective yardsticks used for the measurement of beef quality means that the entire system must depend upon human judgment, which experience demonstrates cannot always be uniformly applied and is subject to wide error.

2. This is not vital when the system is used as originally intended for the selection of beef according to broad categories of quality, and when buyer-seller negotiation is left free to determine individual values within the quality range.

3. Value differentials within grades disappear when Federal grading becomes mandatory, whether by law or by customer.

4. The increase in the percentage of the total beef production that is federally graded is due to the great impetus given the system by the seven years of compulsory grading between September 1942 and February 1953.

5. Claims that Government grading aid and protect consumers appear to be of doubtful validity, as indicated by the results of consumer studies conducted by several State Colleges and Universities.

6. Since consumers are not actually interested in the grade characteristics at the wholesale level, the beef industry should be on guard against a system of merchandising which could interfere with the true reflection of consumer demand for beef and corresponding values for live cattle.

7. Federal grading has been pushed into a price making function which goes beyond the intentions of those who originally developed grade standards.

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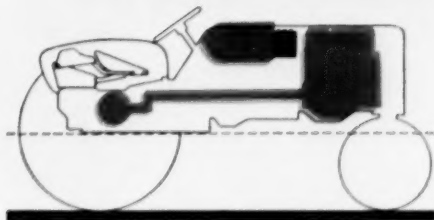
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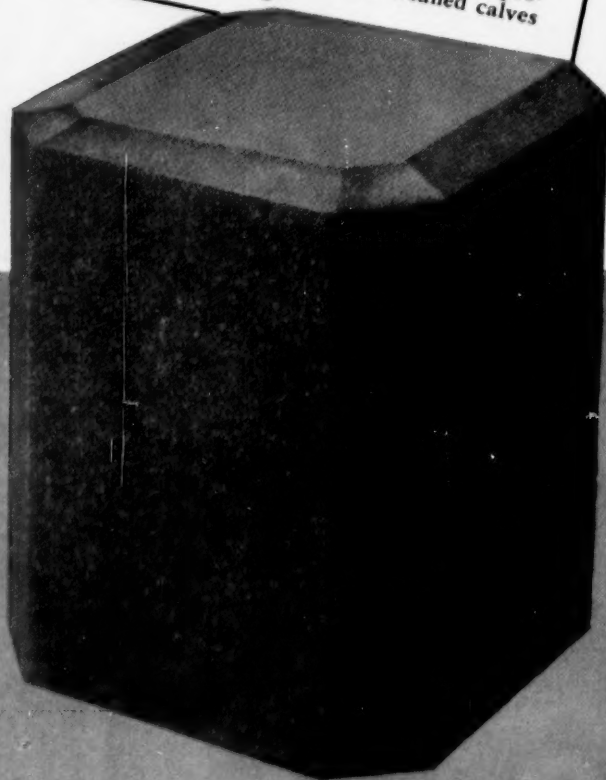
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Federal Meat Grading

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8. No grading system yet devised can do more than establish broad guides to quality.

In the light of these basic considerations in meat grading, we, as producers, must proceed to consider the effects of Federal carcass grading as presently constituted on the economic aspects of production.

As producers we can do little to influence the market for our product but we can greatly influence its production cost. We know that all costs involved in placing the animal product in the consumer's hand are ultimately borne by the producer, therefore, any obstacles to the free flow of product to consumer will result in a widening spread between live cattle values and retail values.

The official standards for grades of carcass beef have become the standards for which the producers select cattle to realize the higher prices commanded by the higher grades. These standards to some extent are adopted by schools, agricultural colleges, the extension service and show ring judges as standards of excellence in live breeder, feeder and slaughter cattle. It is, therefore, imperative that these standards be valid—that is, they must serve the purpose for which they are intended. Failing this they become arbitrary selection standards reducing the range of selection for characteristics related to efficiency which lower production costs. * * *

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Eliminate conformation as a factor in determining grade, thereby reducing immeasurably the combinations of subjective physical characteristics within and between grades, which will in turn greatly simplify the application of the "finish" and "quality" factors in determining grade. To determine yield use the "finish" factor which has been shown to be three times more indicative of yield than conformation. This will place the emphasis of grading on "finish" and "quality" and free the producer to select for those characteristics that will contribute to more efficient production of beef of a desired "finish" and "quality" level.

2. Provide all government graders with color photographs of carcasses illustrating the combinations of characteristics which qualify the carcasses for the lower limits of each grade, and with pictorial standards for the twelve adjectives of marbling degree.

3. The industry in cooperation with the USDA should vigorously support the efforts of the meat research groups to develop objective measures to replace present subjective measures in carcass grading. In this connection either extract percentage could be considered as an objective guide to characterize the degree of marbling. Area of rib eye could be considered as an objective measure in determining proportion of fat, lean and bone.

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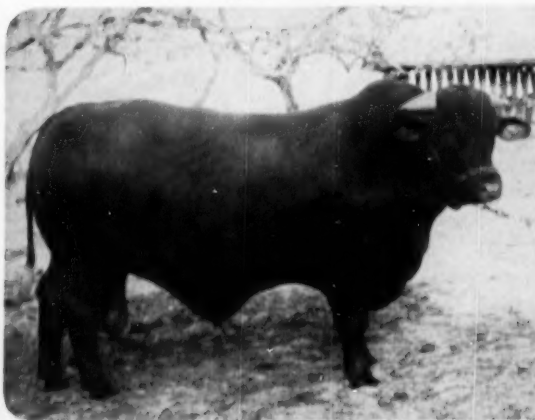




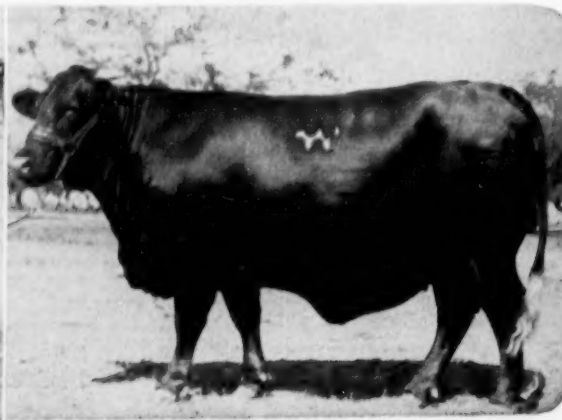
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The Cattleman's CORRAL

Edited by HENRY BIEDERMAN

CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS—Resolutions (complete text pages 38-39) passed urged cattlemen to support National Live Stock and Meat Board and urged all marketing agencies to cooperate.

Recommended that revised regulations of U. S. Dept. of Labor pertaining to employment of Mexican nationals be not applicable on cattle and sheep and goat ranches when workers are away from ranch headquarters.

Recommended that H. B. 187 and S. B. 56 now before the Texas Legislature permitting truck load limit to be increased from 58,420 lbs. to 72,000 lbs. be not passed.

Recommended that soil conservation engineers be permitted by the government to continue to construct dams to stop erosion.

Endorsed the National Cowboy Hall of Fame.

Disapproved of proposed laws removing the jurisdiction and control of meat packing industry from the Department of Agriculture.

Requested that B.H.C. and similar type dips be recognized and used by U.S.D.A. in all tick work.

Recommended to U. S. Attorney General and U. S. Secretary of Agriculture that the government agree to a modification of the "Consent Decree" so that affected packers might engage in the retail sale of beef and related products or by-products as requested by such packers.

Recognized the necessity for a master water plan for Texas and favored the creation of a Texas Water Development Board independently free from control of any state or administrative agency and that any master plan must recognize the landowners' rights in diffused surface waters and riparian waters.

Urged the Railroad Commission or proper state agency to bring about cessation of practices leading to damaging fresh waters by storing brine in such a manner that it permeates into underground fresh water sands.

Expressed concern over the continual rise in federal spending and urged that such spending be curtailed and the budget be materially reduced.

Endorsed Senate Bill 646 amending the Packers and Stock Yards Act to give the Secretary of Agriculture authority to make possible check-off at markets for the purpose of meat promotion.

Expressed opposition to the continuation of 3 per cent on freight charges and 10 per cent on passenger fares and urged repeal of such taxes.

Recommended to Texas Legislature that adequate funds be provided to enable the Livestock Sanitary Commission to discharge its vital duties and that such funds be supplied in such a way that the Commission will be able to work on a practical, efficient basis.

Expressed appreciation and gratitude to organizations and people in City of Houston for their generous hospitality.

Expressed sympathy to bereaved families of departed members.

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FREIGHT RATE INCREASES—Secretary of Agriculture Benson has filed a verified statement with the Interstate Commerce Commission in opposition to recent railroad petitions for further increases in freight rates on agricultural commodities and farm production supplies.

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MEAT PRODUCTION—The American Meat Institute reports that meat production for 1957 is likely to be 2 or 3 per cent below last year. Because of rapidly increasing population, this means consumers will have, on the average, 6 to 7 pounds apiece less to eat for the year.

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PIG CROP—Farmers in nine Corn Belt states indicated in the March 1 report that their intentions were to maintain 1957 spring farrowings about the same as last year.

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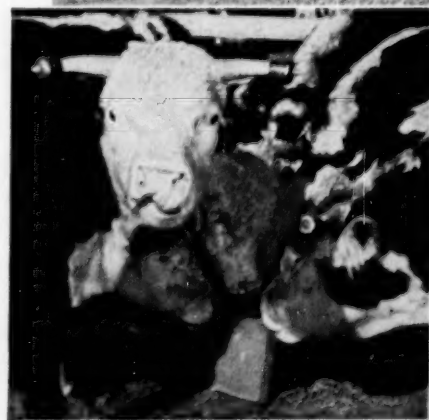
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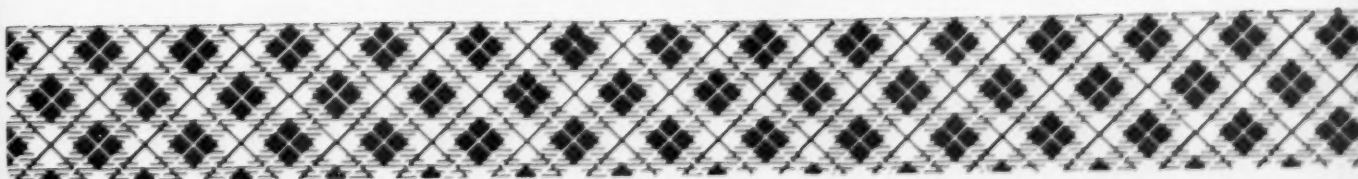
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FACTORS AFFECTING THE LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY

By JOHN W. STEPHENS

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TRENDS:

Farm Products: Estimated acreage for 59 crops to be planted or grown this year runs 3½ per cent below 1955 and the lowest in 40 years. This should act as price stimulant and act to reverse the down trend in Parity.

Parity: Now stands at 80 and the lowest point since the end of World War II. No foreseeable factors in the near future are apt to change it.

Industrial Production: Steady at 146 the same as the preceding month. Rate of annual increase runs about 3 per cent per year. However during 1956 the combined capacity to produce raw materials increased 5 per cent (Federal Reserve Index). Actual production in 1957 could show only a 1½ to 2% increase.

Cost of Living: Index now stands at 118.7 (using 1947-1949 equals 100) which is .4 per cent higher than in January and a new all-time high. Costs of food and clothing made the biggest gains. Do not look for a decrease before summer.

Personal Income: Using 1956 prices as being equal to 100 the rise in purchasing power per capita from 1947 to 1956 has been at an average annual rate of 2 per cent and has advanced from \$1,427 in 1947 to \$1,706 in 1956 on a per capita basis.

FAVORABLE:

1. Last year the retail value of meat as a percentage of disposable income was only 4.8 per cent, while the average for the past 30 years has been 5.7 per cent. The consumer is getting his money's worth and could spend a higher per cent of income on meat without increasing the pounds consumed.
2. Gradual improvement in fed cattle prices seems likely. More rains in the drouth areas would slow down marketings and delay the seasonal decline in prices this spring.
3. Feed supplies for the current year are at a record level of 200.3 million tons and feed concentrates per animal unit are the highest on record, which means about 1.23 tons per animal unit (the average over the years is about .80 tons per animal unit). This can be both good and bad. It could encourage a big increase in feeding with oversupply and lower prices later on.
4. Seasonally adjusted non-farm employment is about 52.2 million which is about 2 per cent higher than a year ago.
5. Hatchings for laying flocks are considerably below last year which means higher prices for eggs this fall.
6. Farm machinery is in surplus supply and with the number of acres in the "soil bank" there should be bargain prices in farm equipment because of reduced production.

UNFAVORABLE:

1. Turkey crop this fall is likely to run 10 per cent more than last year.
2. Business failures are running higher than at any time since the end of World War II which indicates narrow profit margins in business and more competition for the dollars.
3. Farmers' and ranchers' intentions are to harvest only 72.8 million acres of hay and if this materializes it will be the smallest hay crop since 1948.

COMMENT:

Beef production is expected to be smaller in 1957 than it was in 1956. If the drouth is broken we can look for herds in dry areas to be replaced and beef consumers would have to shift to other meat products to maintain present levels of consumption. It means that Pork, Lamb and Poultry would enjoy favorable prices while cattle herds are being rebuilt in the drouth areas.



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President

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The Cattleman's WASHINGTON ROUNDUP

By JOHN HARMS, THE CATTLEMAN'S Special Washington Correspondent.

You can cross off "deferred grazing" payments as a broad, general drouth-relief measure this year. We are going out on a limb on this because many cattlemen may be banking on such an operation. While there always is a chance until the last legislative act is taken—the odds are stacked heavily against the bill.

Here's why we think so: With the strong backing of Majority Leader Lyndon Johnson, the Senate is expected to okay the measure as the House did last month. But Secretary Benson is strongly opposed to the bill—although he says he's not opposed to the principle. He is expected to recommend a Presidential veto, and the chances are Ike will comply.

Benson's opposition stems mainly from the fact that he may have to provide payments to what his assistants call "big ranchers who have other sources of income." He wants to make payments on the basis of "genuine need." His counter-proposal, to make smaller payments through ACP, would permit the USDA greater latitude in making payments.

"Deferred-grazing," of course, is the proposal to pay rent to ranchers who keep stock from land deteriorating from drouth.

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An even bigger feed grain surplus now seems in the making—according to the Agriculture Department's March planting intentions report. For cattlemen, it means even cheaper feed grain supplies after the new harvests come in, increased supplies in the Southwest, and stimulated demand for feeder cattle. (For further analysis, see Factors Affecting the Livestock Industry.)

Carryover of all feed grains next July 1 now is estimated at a whopping 15 per cent more than the record carryover last July. With the tremendous boost in sorghum production indicated for this year, plus increases in oats and barley—the outlook is for an even greater carryover next year.

Corn production may be a sleeper. If so, supplies of feed may be even greater than now expected. Here's why: USDA is estimating the crop at about 3 billion bushels, the same estimate it made for the 1956 crop—but which turned out to be 3.5 billion bushels, second largest on record. It could happen again—especially in view of expert opinion that USDA estimates of corn land going into the Soil Bank are on the high side.



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A major over-haul of federal farm programs is definitely in the wind for 1958. Federal farm men, lawmakers and farm organization leaders are disgruntled as never before over what they term the "total failure of present programs" either to control production or improve farm income. Changes are postponed until next year to give the programs this year a chance to show how useless they are. Also, most of the big legislative changes usually come in election years.

The livestock industry, thus, will have its first big opportunity in years to express its desires and make itself heard. In the past, the weight of federal farm programs has been thrown in favor of the six so-called basic field crops—despite the fact that livestock provides the biggest single share of agricultural income.

No Soil Bank for feed grains this year. This is clearly indicated by the bitter wrangle over corn and feed grain legislation in the House last month. Efforts may again be made to provide "banking" privileges to feed grain growers—but they are given no chance this year.

The inside story of failure in the drive for corn-feed grain legislation in the House is one of personal animosity between Democratic and Republican leaders of the "farm bloc." As one insider puts it: "They hate each other's guts." This stems in part from Southern charges that the Midwest got the lion's share of 1956 Soil Bank money.

Cattlemen have a big stake in the fight to transfer anti-monopoly regulation over meat packers from the Agriculture Department to the Federal Trade Commission. It's a red-hot issue, and if the charges are close to the truth—result could mean increased competition for the cattle sold in some areas.

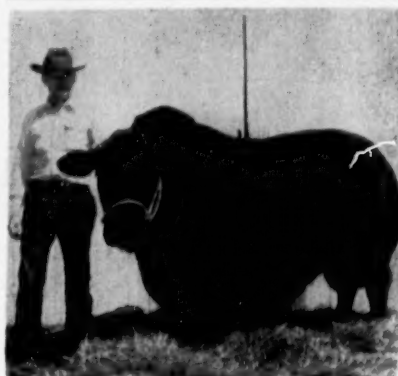
Here's the line-up: The Western States Meat Packers Association, National Wool Growers Association, and other groups have charged that the Agriculture Department has not enforced anti-monopoly provisions of the Packers and Stock-

yards Act for more than 20 years. This, they allege, has resulted in an unfair advantage for the big national packers over the small packers of the nine western intermountain states. They are back of bills to transfer enforcement over to FTC.

The "big" packers, speaking through the American Meat Institute, on the other hand, want enforcement to stay with the USDA—alleging there is no monopoly. AMI says (1) number of meat pack-

ers increased from 1,392 in 1939 to 2,367 in 1954, (2) USDA has done an effective enforcement job, (3) no useful purpose could be served by transfer, and (4) FTC doesn't know anything about agriculture, of which meat packing is a part. AMI and the big packers oppose the transfer, as does the USDA.

Hearings—destined to make headlines—will start this spring before an investigative committee headed by Sen. O'Mahoney of Wyoming.



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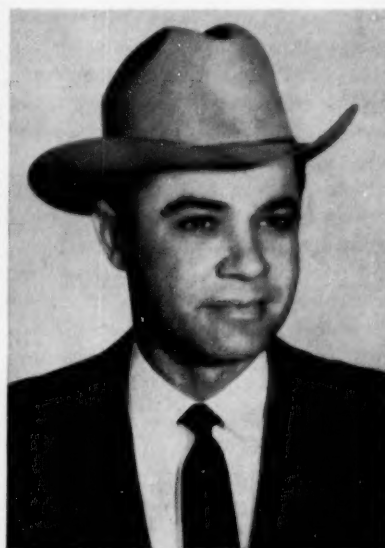
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Geo. W. Kleier General Manager of Hull-Dobbs Ranches

J. K. DOBBS, president of the Hull-Dobbs Ranches, announces that George W. Kleier will assume his duties as general manager of the Hull-Dobbs Ranches on April 1.

Kleier, who has been livestock fieldman for The Cattleman since March 1, 1950, will move to the headquarters ranch just south of Memphis, Tenn., after the school term is over and will take over management of the Hull-Dobbs Ranches at Walls, Miss., and Fort Worth, Texas, and other ranches located at Oakland, Tenn., Neshitt, Miss., and Michigan City, Miss.

The Cattleman regrets, very much, to lose the services of George Kleier and we join his many friends throughout the livestock world, especially the Hereford breeders, in wishing him well in his new job.

Prior to assuming his duties with The Cattleman in 1950 Kleier had spent three and one-half years with the American Hereford Association at Kansas City and had served three years in the Air Corps in World War II. He had spent four years as a fieldman for the Southern Stockman and also worked for the Corn Belt Farm Dailies. He is a graduate of Kansas State College and was a member of the livestock judging team. Kleier is married and is the father of three sons.

The Hull-Dobbs horned herd is located just north of Fort Worth, Texas, and is headed by TR Royal Zato 27th, a bull owned jointly with Turner Ranch, and which is now a Register of Merit Sire.

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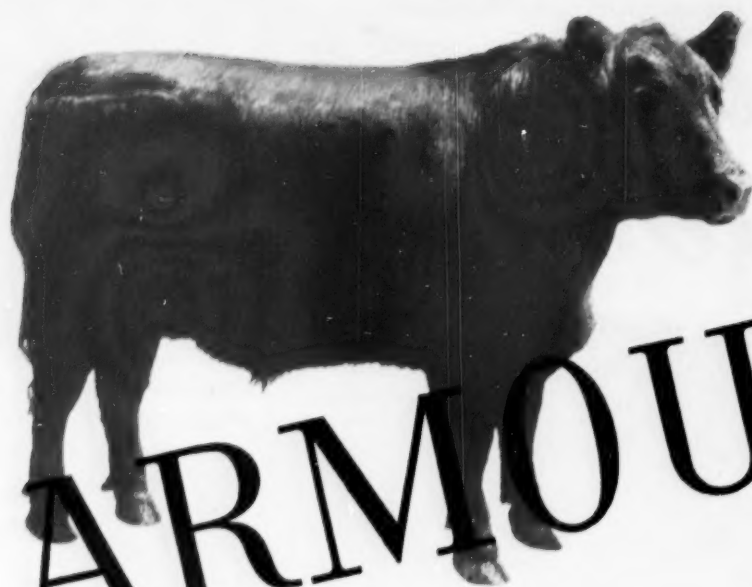
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Officers re-elected to their posts at the 80th annual convention of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association are from left to right, president John Biggs, Vernon; 1st vice-president Edgar Hudgins of Hungerford; 2nd vice-president Norman Moser of DeKalb and secretary-general manager Chas. A. Stewart of Fort Worth.

EIGHTIETH ANNUAL CONVENTION

Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, Houston, Texas, March 18-20

CATTLEMEN and their families who attended the 80th annual convention of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association held in the Rice Hotel in Houston, Texas March 18-20 received a double welcome that they are not likely to forget for some time to come.

First they were greeted, entertained and were provided convention facilities second to none. Secondly, most of the members arrived in Houston in the midst of one of the best soaking rains to fall in the country in years and later departed under the same circumstances.

Association members in the Houston area and business people of the city did not "spare the horses" in providing all kinds of excellent entertainment for the visiting cattlemen. Two days of business meetings highlighted the more serious aspects of the convention and a board of directors meeting was also held.

Officers Re-elected

All officers were re-elected to their posts including president John Biggs of Vernon, first vice-president Edgar Hudgins of Hungerford, second vice-president Norman Moser of De Kalb and secretary-general manager Chas. A. Stewart of Fort Worth. Joe Matthews, Albany, was elected an honorary vice-president.

San Antonio was named as the site of the 1958 convention and Austin was selected as the meeting place for the next quarterly session of the Association's

board of directors. San Antonio's bid for the next convention was made by R. Beal Pumphrey, who represented that city.

The following were elected directors of the association:

Tobin Armstrong, Armstrong; H. G. Barnard, Tulsa, Okla.; George Becker, Kaufman; George Beggs III, Fort Worth; John M. Bennett Jr., San Antonio; Lee T. Bivins, Amarillo; W. T. Bonner, Gainesville; E. S. F. Brainard, Canadian; J. S.

Bridwell, Wichita Falls; Dolph Briscoe Jr., Uvalde; R. A. Brown, Throckmorton; Stanton Brunson, Crosbyton; D. Burns, Guthrie; Bob Cage, Eagle Pass; G. R. Canada, Anahuac; Walter W. Cardwell Sr., Luling; Ben H. Carpenter, Dallas; Frank H. Chappell Jr., Lubbock; Woods Christian, Mission; David S. Combs, San Antonio; Hal Cooper, Fort Supply, Okla.; Fred Craddock, Pawhuska, Okla.; J. M. Crews, Childress; H. Mason Crocker, Brady; Mit Danshy, Bryan; G. Cameron



This committee did the work that made possible the excellent arrangements and entertainment afforded Association members at the 80th annual convention held at Houston. They are from left to right, seated: W. A. Smith, R. H. Abercrombie, Ralph Johnston (convention chairman), Gail Whitcomb and J. W. Sartwell. Standing are Douglas Marshall, Pat Rutherford, E. J. Gracey, J. D. Sartwell, Vernon Frost and Archer Romero.



Vernon Frost, chairman of the convention's registration committee, and E. B. Pate, Jr.; Mrs. Gay Carroll and Mrs. Lois Wittman, all of Houston, who helped cattlemen register.

Duncan, San Antonio; Tom East Jr., Hebbronville; Joe B. Finley, Encinal; H. G. Flowers, Aspermont; Jack Frost, Dallas; Albert E. Gates, Laredo; Horace P. Guerra, Roma; O. C. Hadden, Ponca City, Okla.; J. K. Haley, Jr., Mt. View, Okla.

Furd Halsell, Fort Worth; George Halsell, Fort Worth; Newton Harrell, Claude; R. H. Harris Jr., Uvalde; A. H. Heiner, Beaumont; J. J. Helm, Antlers, Okla.; Fred A. Hobart, Pampa; Gage Holland, Marathon; Harry Hudgins, Sherman; J. F. Jackson, Groesbeck; Ralph A. Johnston, Houston; W. W. Jones, Corpus Christi; Cleve Kerr, El Paso; T. A. Kincaid, Ozona; Richard Kleberg, Jr., Kingsville; H. L. Kokernot, Jr., Alpine; Karl Leediker, Crockett; Frank Lewis, Bay City; W. J. Lewis, Jr., Clarendon; George Light III, Cotulla; Reese B. Lockett, Brenham; Jack B. Love, Llano; Ed Lowrance, San Antonio; J. C. McGill, Alice; Carter McGregor, Jr., Wichita Falls; Jack Mansfield, Vega; H. H. Matthews, Sabinal; Watt Matthews, Albany; T. C. Meador, Eldorado; L. M.

Mertz, San Antonio; Albert Mitchell, Albert, New Mexico; Joe C. Mitchell, Marfa; Hilmer Moore, Richmond; H. H. Moore, Navasota; Warren Moore, Alvin; Alfred Negley, San Antonio; R. J. Nunley, Sabinal; Thomas M. O'Connor, Victoria; J. G. Phillips, Jr., West Columbia; L. W. Pierce, Jr., Lindale; T. J. Poole, Jr., Bay City; Foy Proctor, Midland; F. B. Pyle, Sanderson; Watt Reynolds, Fort Worth; M. H. W. Ritchie, Palo Duro; Howard Rivers III, Elgin; T. L. Roach Jr., Amarillo; J. W. Sartwelle, Houston; Tom Saunders, Fort Worth.

Harry Scaling, Bellevue; Clarence Scharbauer, Midland; Howell Smith, Wichita Falls; Stuart Shearer, Houston; Jack Shelton, Romero; Dick Snyder, Clayton, New Mexico; W. G. Swenson, Stamford; Jack Turner, Fort Worth; Bilby Wallace, Clairemont; Lafayette Ward, Jr., San Antonio; W. R. Watt, Fort Worth; Leo J. Welder, Victoria; J. T. White, Hearne; W. W. White, Mason; Roger Williams, Victoria; Harrie Winston, Snyder; J. L. Wood, Refugio; F. R. Wulff, Jr., Brady.

Mayor Holcomb Welcomes Cattlemen

Speakers on the program included Oscar Holcomb, mayor of Houston, who welcomed members to the convention city and Frank Chappell, Jr. of Lubbock, an Association director who responded to the address of welcome. Kenneth McFarland, educational consultant for General Motors made one of the principal addresses of the convention. His thought-provoking speech was well received by those in attendance and was one of the highlights of the convention. An address by Don Collins, president of the American National Cattlemen's Association and the report of the Association president, John Biggs of Vernon, which concluded the first day's session appear elsewhere in this issue.

On the second day of the convention speeches were made by Chas. N. Shepardson, member of the board of governors, Federal Reserve System, Washington, D. C.; W. R. Poage, member of Congress from Waco, Texas; Dr. Nelson King, D.V.M. from Wooster, Ohio and

Leo Welder, chairman of the Association's public relations committee, all of which appear on the following pages.

Former governor Roy Turner of Sulphur, Oklahoma presented a progress report on the establishment of a National Cowboy Hall of Fame. As a national trustee of the proposed institution Turner reported that a national contest among architects is now being conducted for selection of the design of the shrine, which will eventually cost \$5 million and which will, according to Turner, become one of the world's greatest and most visited shrines. Ground will be broken for the building in January on a scenic hill seven miles northeast of Oklahoma City on Highways 66 and 77. Efforts being made in the 17 Western states which will be represented in the hall of fame and museum were reviewed by Turner and he invited the participation of cattlemen attending the convention in the project. One of the resolutions adopted by the convention endorsed the new project.

Judge Joe G. Montague, attorney for the Association, gave a brief report on his activities in behalf of the organization during the past year. Montague reported on his work toward getting some changes that have been put into effect regarding the stringent requirements for housing of Mexican labor. He expressed the hope that the Department of Labor would revise its minimum housing requirements to more realistic and practical levels. He also reported about his work in connection with proposed beef promotional programs and a number of other pending legislative matters which are related to the ranching industry.

Seventeen resolutions were proposed by the resolutions committee and were adopted by the membership. A complete text of these appear elsewhere in this issue.



Mayor Oscar Holcomb . . . welcomed cattlemen to the city of Houston.



Frank H. Chappell, Jr. . . . responded to the address of welcome on behalf of visiting cattlemen.

Give Ranges Chance To Recover

John Biggs Also Cautions Cattlemen to Hold Herds Below Normal to Permit Further Balance of Supply and Demand

An Address by JOHN BIGGS, President, Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association. Delivered at the 80th Annual Convention, Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association in Houston.

IT IS not my intent or purpose to analyze by this brief report the thinking of others but merely to make a few observations that should certainly not be construed as a studied formula outlining a program of work that will cure all the ills confronting our industry. I hope that you will consider any comments that I may make as being within the long established policies of our Association in its continuing fight to realistically remain an important segment of our free enterprise system.

The year 1956 was one of full production, full employment, large personal incomes as well as consumer expenditures and high level distribution. I suppose it might be said that 1956 was the best year in our history regardless of the standards by which it might be measured.

There are many of us in the production phase of the beef "vehicle" who are inclined to look back on 1956 and the first quarter of 1957 with mixed emotions. Why, through such a period of apparent economic growth, have we not participated equally, or at least percentage-wise in the same proportion as other segments of industry? If I were wise enough to answer this question with an indisputable answer, then I could give you the formula and you could go home with no further worry or concern.

Supply and Demand Important Factor

I need not point out that production of beef is far different than the production of automobiles. Experts in the latter case can put the stop, go sign, slow up sign, or what have you on cars and trucks but it is not quite as simple as that when dealing with nature. However, we certainly must be cognizant of the supply and demand cycle since this long established proven equation is a most important factor in the economic health of our own business. It is true that drouth may have been "the joker in the deck" that prevented many of us from utilizing our judgment in conforming to a sensible approach to proper marketing and controlled production. As it has been said that a little education is dangerous, so may a little moisture lead us down the same disastrous road of over-supply. Ranges should be given a chance to recover, more selective breeding for quality should be considered, and above all, herds should be held below normal to permit a further balance of supply and demand. Our situation might be compared to the rate of interest as



Association president John Biggs . . . herds should be held below normal in numbers to balance supply and demand.

being the market price for money. If the available supply of money fails to increase with demand, the market price in the form of increase in interest rate, goes up. I think the same is true of any commodity and certainly would apply to our own business of growing beef.

We have been plagued for years with a forcing hand in the form of depleted moisture that helped materially to create a so-called buyer's market. We have been severely criticized in some sections on the point that the result of the buyer's market was not reflected in the ultimate prices paid by the consumer. We have seen printed defense by many segments of the beef industry defending their position or place against consumer criticism, and at times, have seen the blame fall on those of us who had no control over the asking price at any time.

However, I think it is a proven fact that more people are now consuming more per person. To me, our ability to meet the demand is far more of a testimonial than to be unduly criticized for over-production, which, if true, could be the result of factors beyond our control rather than a lack of intelligent marketing. Surely through education, inventiveness, organization and management we can be sensible enough to recognize how we got where we are and by the same token be wise enough to main-

tain, increase, control and plan for the future.

Resents High Price Supports

I could not touch on the subject of planning for the future without making this personal observation, to-wit: That we would all be better off economically if the scope and extent of federal intervention in the price and marketing picture were reduced rather than expanded. The existing long-range policies of high price supports can have only disastrous effects upon our ability and opportunity of earning a good income.

The foregoing personal observations lead to the further observation that the bigger the job the more team work is required to do it. If we can work together under our own free will in a common direction, we can, with profit, fit into the all important equation of volume times price minus expense equals the net.

In brief, the future like the past, depends on people. In this respect, I would like to express my appreciation to the members of our committees who have so unstintingly given of their time in working on the all important problems affecting our future. To me, the antiquated laws governing beef grading, our very serious water problems, efforts to have the proper authorities recognize and put into effect changes in the tax laws so that our industry may be treated on an equal basis with other industries, animal health, legislation to permit a modern approach to the sales promotion of our products with our own money, and drouth assistance, are only a few of the more important problems which your committees have continuously and intelligently studied with a view to recommending a proper course of action to you members and directors.

Appreciates Cooperation

I would also like to express appreciation to the general manager, attorney, office and field personnel of your association, the editor and personnel of The Cattleman Magazine, to those of you with allied interests who have been most understanding and helpful, as well as to all our members and directors for their fine co-operation during the past year. I repeat that the bigger the job the more team work is required to do it, and without team work we are destined for complete failure. Other industries have proved the value of united effort and this we must have to stay competitive and to assure success.

It has been my privilege during the past year to represent your association in many meetings on a multitude of problems in Texas, as well as in several other states on mutual problems with allied associations. I do not think it necessary to enumerate in detail the time, place and subject of these various meetings since detailed reports will be made in and to appropriate committees at some time during this convention.

I recognize the great honor that it is to work for and with you and assure you of an ever-continuing interest in our mutual problems.

Stewart Reviews Association Work

Secretary Reports Association Looking Forward With Optimism Providing Moisture Conditions Continue to Improve

CHARLES A. STEWART, secretary-general manager of Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, made the following report:

A review of our membership rolls shows that while at one point during the year we were within about 100 of the 10,000 mark in membership, when the year closed we showed a loss of 122 members and our membership as of February 28, 1957, was 9,510 and our total rendition was 1,315,748, down 77,500 head. During the year we received 882 new members as compared with 1,044 new members secured last year.

The association participated in 59 theft cases involving 144 head of cattle and resulting in sentences totaling 254 years. We now have cases pending involving 42 defendants.

During the year, association inspectors investigated the ownership of 1,229 cattle which appeared to be in improper hands. Of this number, 24 were released after investigation, 13 are still pending and 1,192 head, or the proceeds of same, were turned over to the rightful owners.

The value of these 1,192 cattle, figured at the average price received for those which were marketed and the proceeds held for the owners, amounts to \$94,430.24.

We have had the usual problems relating to rail and truck transportation, including a formal hearing before the Railroad Commission of Texas, in February, on whether or not our Texas rates should be increased 7 per cent. The case has not yet been decided by the commission. There is now being considered by the Texas-Louisiana Freight Bureau a proposal to increase the bedding charges from 1.64 on a single deck car to 7.11,

and on a double-deck car from 2.18 to 14.22 where the shipper furnishes the bedding and places it in the car. Where the carrier furnishes the bedding and places it in the car, the charge would be increased from 2.18 on a single deck car to 9.52, and from 3.25 on a double-deck car to 19.04.

Our financial condition is much improved this year and the outlook is favorable providing moisture conditions continue to improve. I think we may expect a decline in market receipts which, of course, will affect our revenue but on the whole, based on the present outlook I think we have every reason to look forward to a successful year.

The following applications of 184 members rendering a total of 12,111 cattle, received during the December-February period, were accepted by the Association:

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Aransas: Miss M. D. Kroeger; **Archer:** S. A. Frelich; **Bastrop:** T. R. Hartgrove; **Bayler:** Glen Miller, Sam Portwood; **Bee:** Tom Land, W. W. Traylor; **Beck:** Wm. K. Holt Machinery Co., Mrs. Winnie A. Phillips, James Cecil Ruby, Albert Stanush; **Bosque:** Louis Dubois; **Brasoria:** H. L. Adams, Robert Lee Alexander, W. T. Gregg, V. J. Hechler, T. H. Lostak, W. C. Page, C. A. Vollbaum; **Calhoun:** Oscar Hoemer; **Cameron:** Tule Ranch; **Childress:** W. E. Davis; **Cochran:** Robert C. Cross; **Collingsworth:** B. W. Beaird; **Colorado:** R. D. (Bud) Hoyt, Gayle Thomas, Harold Thomas; **Coryell:** Dan Edwards; **Cottle:** C. C. Pate.

Dallam: Barber Bros., Delhart Livestock Auction Co., M. C. Denton, Nobles & Nobles, Joe Szalay; **Dallas:** Ned E. Biffie, Johnson's Shetland Farm, Wynne Snouts; **Denton:** M. K. McPherson; **Dimmit:** Palo Blanco Ranch, Harry Steubing; **Falls:** Lewis L. Crenshaw; **Fannin:** C. H. Crabb; **Floyd:** W. W. Day; **Fort Bend:** A. I. Lindsay, Johnnie Phillip; **Freestone:** G. O. Summers; **Galveston:** V. E. "Buster" Davis, J. A. Hogan, A. B. Stewart; **Gray:** B. F. Price & Co. & Robert D. Price; **Grayson:** Gordon R. Millsbaugh, David R. Price, S. D. Stedman; **Gregg:** Dunn Phillips, H. U. Garrett, B. A. Skipper, Jr.

Hale: T. E. Warren; **Hall:** Laddie Sloan; **Ham-**

ilton: T. B. Fuqua & T. B. Fuqua, Jr.; **Hardin:** Howard Hargrove, T. E. Jasper; **Harris:** H. L. Beckendorff, Sammy L. Beckendorff, Jake Bussey, C. C. Champion & Sons, George Cheshier, L. H. Hegar, Walter L. Jenkins, J. M. Lamb, H. W. Langley, Norman Fite & Son, E. W. Purvis, J. B. Saunders, John L. Shaunty, John S. Stocks & C. R. Settle, T. J. Ranch, B. Ray Woods; **Haskell:** Charlie A. Jackson; **Hockley:** J. Christopher, Mrs. W. G. Frasier; **Hopkins:** Allen Stubbs; **Jack:** B. B. Davis; **Jasper:** W. M. Bond, A. E. McGallin; **Jeff Davis:** Joe Morrow; **Jefferson:** R. L. McAllister, F. S. Theall; **Jim Hogg:** Mrs. Helen S. Harbison; **Karnes:** Edgar Sherill, Jr.; **Kaufman:** J. T. Dyer; **Knox:** Tommie Tapp.

Lamar: Windy Hill Farms; **LaSalle:** Dudley Storey III, Sarah Lee Storey; **Leon:** Elvis Storey; **Liberty:** A. J. Otto; **Limestone:** B. L. Bradley, Carl Cannon, M. M. Gamble, L. L. Geren, Ray A. Laurence, Mrs. Marie Reese, Sid F. Smith & Sons; **Lipacomb:** Frank W. Walton; **Madison:** Mrs. R. E. Cone; **Marion:** C. F. Trendwell & Sons; **Mata-gorda:** Gulf Coast Comm. Co., K. D. Huddleston; **McLennan:** Charles L. Sligh; **Medina:** Mrs. J. H. Watson; **Milam:** John S. Batte, David Boney, J. A. Ely, Jr., T. A. Henderson Est., Arthur Prassel, S-S Farm; **Mitchell:** J. C. Womack; **Montague:** Henry Golightly, O. L. Jones, J. R. Penn; **Montgomery:** Alvin Fuchs, James W. Gardner, Edgar Giesinger, Johnnie Giesinger; **Moore:** Richard Hill; **Nueces:** Crook Bros., Heldenfels Farms; **Orange:** Carroll Murff.

Parker: W. F. Bailey, Polk; J. M. Parker; **Presidio:** Francisco Ornelas; **Runnels:** Durward W. Giles; **Rusk:** Hale Ranch, George H. Millard & Son, Virgil Smith; **Smith:** C. C. Giles, T. O. Howard, O. R. Huffman, Dr. L. T. Neill; **Tarrant:** Francis P. Buckeridge, Bob M. Noble, Jr., Tom B. Saunders IV; **Throckmorton:** Rex Allen; **Titus:** Mrs. Louis Jackson; **Tom Green:** Joe R. Lemley; **Travis:** Bar F Ranch; **Victoria:** Charles Allen Brandes.

Waller: A. Bollinger & Sons, J. C. Bradshaw, C. L. Garrett, Louis Sturm; **Ward:** A. B. Cox, Jr.; **Webb:** Bruni & Samuels; **Wharton:** J. F. Hendrick; **Wichita:** Bristow-Coleman; **Wilson:** Joe D. Tackitt; **Young:** Wm. A. Cooper, T. E. Faver, H. C. Gilmore, N. E. Majors.

OKLAHOMA

Canadian: J. W. Palmer; **Carter:** J. D. Price; **Choctaw:** Margaret Baskett, W. A. Hall, Jr.; **Cimarron:** K. J. Funk, Oran Kersey; **Cotton:** W. M. Harrison & Son; **Garvin:** E. Cunningham; **Grady:** Sam Bedingfield, A. M. Deskins, Frying Pan Ranch; **Johnson:** Mrs. Mary Ryan; **McCurtain:** Dr. M. M. Henderson; **Muskogee:** Georg O. Mejaender; **Okla.:** W. A. Reust; **Osage:** Bill Erwin, Kenneth Forbes, Maurice Martin; **Pushmataha:** Harvie Price; **Stephens:** J. K. Callaway; **Tulsa:** O. A. & Billy J. Yarbrough.

KANSAS

Greenwood: W. Tom Edwards.

MISSISSIPPI

Panola: Donald Bartlett.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Luis E. Deuer.



Kenneth McFarland . . . a cowman must have lots of faith.



Roy Turner . . . urged Texas cattlemen to participate in the establishment of a National Cowboy Hall of Fame.



General Ernest O. Thompson . . . a visitor to the convention who talked briefly about the oil reserves in Texas.

Urges Caution in Restocking

Don Collins, President of American National Cattlemen's Association Points Out That Cattle Numbers Are Still High—Now no Time to go to Extremes In Bidding for Replacements

Excerpts from Remarks of a Speech by DON C. COLLINS, President American National Cattlemen's Assn. at the 80th Annual Convention, Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, Houston.

IN OUR lifetime Mother Nature three or four times has taught us just what she intended some of our lands to be used for. And these are lessons we should never ignore—no matter how lush the grass may grow in some years or how attractive the grain price.

Liquidation during the current drouth has been comparatively orderly, compared to the Thirties when sales hit panic proportions. It is just now showing up across the entire country, although some states have been slacking off noticeably for the past couple of years. This somewhat slow reduction in numbers is also due to better credit and individual financial positions, better knowledge of carrying rations, more irrigation and the many efforts of the government to help us preserve basic herds.

There is no point in reminding you too much of where you've been in the drouth area because only rains will determine where we're going. But I would like to emphasize for you some of the facts revealed about some of the drouth states in the 1957 cattle inventory released just last month by the government.

Only Three States Below Average

As you know, numbers for the nation as a whole are down from 1956 in all categories. Most of the states in the range country are down in beef cattle numbers, while those in the "Deep South" are up. But few states took such dramatic cuts in numbers as did Texas, Kansas and New Mexico.

In fact, only these three states are below the ten-year average of 1948 through 1957 which includes the up-side of the current numbers cycle.

If we took that comparison alone, we might be complacent that the "overproduction" is over so that we can quit worrying about anything but rain. Of course, for some categories—steers for instance—we can cite some drastically reduced numbers from long-term averages. In fact, Texas has fewer steers on hand today than ever before in recorded cattle history. For that matter, the entire cattle population in Texas today is only about 80 per cent of the peak reached—not just a couple of years ago—but 'way back in 1891.

But when we consider the "numbers picture" from the viewpoint of how much today's herd deviates from the normal, we have to look back through the years to see whether Mother Nature's lessons really have been learned and whether or not we should be eager to restock



Don Collins . . . cattle numbers are still high across the nation.

again as soon as the first grass greens up.

Although beef cattle numbers in Texas now are well below the high points reached in previous years, today's count is still 147 per cent of those on hand in 1928, the lowest tally since they started keeping specific records in 1920. This should indicate that there is still plenty of room to trim if necessary.

But the productive potential—the beef cows and heifers—on Texas ranches might still be too high for any feeling of complacency.

Today's Texas cow herd, although only 91 per cent of 1953's peak, is a big 180 per cent larger than the low point back in 1928, and it's eight per cent larger than the average during the past 18 years. The heifer count this year is only 68 per cent of the peak in 1952, but it is 124 per cent of the low count reached in 1927.

Calves of both sexes are 165 per cent of the 1926 low point. Part of that, of course, is due to a shift from running steers to more cow-calf operations.

But it is in steers that Texas can really look back and see what has been cut out of the Lone Star State's beef herd. The steers on hand at the first of this year were only 23 per cent of the peak numbers tallied since 1920—that came in 1920 itself, and it is reasonable to assume that many more steers were on hand in previous years because of the nature of the industry. Steer numbers this year, incidentally, are only 58 per cent of the average during the past 18 years. And, as I've said before, never

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Livestock Credit Problems

Excerpts From an Address by Chas. N. Shepardson, Member, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, Before the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Convention in Houston

I WOULD like to discuss briefly our general economic picture. For the past two years we have had a high level of economic activity in most sectors of the economy with demand for goods and services exceeding productive capacity in many lines, especially in the metal industries. We have had virtually full employment and a rising level of wages, which have meant increased consumer purchasing power. This, coupled with the easing of consumer installment credit terms in 1955, resulted in increasing demands and a corresponding pressure on prices. This in turn stimulated demand for expansion of plant and equipment and a further pressure on prices, particularly on industrial raw materials.

The problem confronting us in this situation can best be illustrated by comparing it with the beef cattle situation ten years ago. You will remember that with the end of rationing, following the war, beef consumption rose from 58 pounds per capita in 1945 to 68 pounds in 1947.

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Chas. N. Shepardson . . . there has not been a reduction in available credit.

Resolutions Adopted at the 80th Annual Convention

THE following resolutions were presented to the membership of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association during its 80th annual convention at Houston, March 19-20. They were adopted as they appear below:

Resolution No. 1

The Beef Grading Committee of the Association, composed of: Tobin Armstrong, Chairman, Howell Smith and E. S. F. Brainard has made a most comprehensive report on the subject of "Beef Carcass Grading," which report evidences a great deal of research and detailed study of the subject upon which the report is made.

We appreciate the tremendous amount of work done by the Committee and because of its thorough and detailed treatment of the important subject and the possibility of great benefit to our industry that can result from the adoption of the recommendations made by the Committee;

The Officers of the Association are instructed to have the Committee Report published in a brochure which is to be distributed to all Members of the Congress, to the various officials of the United States Department of Agriculture, to all agricultural schools in the United States and to the various beef packing institutions, and to all Associations of beef producers in this country.

Resolution No. 2

WHEREAS, the members of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers' Association, are fully aware of the great work done by the National Live Stock and Meat Board, in the fields of research into problems relating to beef and in the education of the public on the desirability of beef as a major item in the diet of all humans, old and young alike; and

WHEREAS, the National Livestock and Meat Board is supported by revenue raised by voluntary contributions from producers with the cooperation of marketing agencies;

NOW, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED that we strongly urge all cattlemen to join in the program of supporting the National Live Stock and Meat Board, and we respectfully urge all marketing agencies at stockyards and at auction sales, to cooperate in this program by making the collection of the funds for the Meat Board.

Resolution No. 3

HOUSING STANDARDS FOR MEXICAN LABOR

We appreciate the decision of the United States Department of Labor to revise and modify the minimum acceptable housing standards for Mexican Nationals under contract to perform agricultural labor in the United States.

The revised regulations, however, do not provide any exemptions or special provisions relating to the situation existing on ranching operations in which Mexican Nationals are engaged in employment away from ranch headquarters

where workers are necessarily housed in temporary or mobile facilities;

IT IS THEREFORE recommended that the following provision be adopted as part of the "Minimum Acceptable Housing Standard for Mexican Nationals":

The above regulations shall not be applicable to the employment of Mexican Nationals on cattle, sheep and goat ranch operations when they are engaged in temporary activities at points away from ranch headquarters. In such cases the rancher shall provide facilities for Mexican Nationals comparable to those provided native American workers engaged in similar employment.

Resolution No. 4

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Texas, at great costs and by taxing ourselves have constructed over the years one of the best systems of highways, including our farm-to-market roads, in the United States; and

WHEREAS, these roads, highways, and drainage structures were designed for primarily the personal use of private citizens and for handling the products of our farms and ranches to market; and

WHEREAS, great damage has been done to some of these highways through heavy weighted trucks of public transportation for hire; and

WHEREAS, it is now proposed in H. B. 187 and S. B. 56 now pending before present session of Legislature in Austin to increase present load limit from 58,420 lbs. to 72,000 lbs., or a net increase of 6- $\frac{1}{4}$ tons, and on March 12th Mr. Ed Jelinek, supervising design engineer of Texas Highway Department stated there is not a single bridge in our state designed for 2-tandem (double) 32,000 lb. axle trucks, and at the same hearing Randle B. Alexander, chief bridge designer for the State, stated, "Only a maximum of 5 per cent of the bridges in Texas can carry 72,000 lb. load";

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED we respectfully recommend to the State Legislature of Texas that H. B. 187 and S. B. 56 be not passed.

Resolution No. 5

With reference to the general programs of soil and water conservation, we recommend:

- That soil conservation engineers be permitted by the government to continue constructing dams to stop erosion of the soil by water.
- We like and support those laws that will aid in the fight to stop erosion and allow the soil to remain where nature deposited it.

Resolution No. 6

We believe that the establishment of a National Cowboy Hall of Fame and Museum and a proper shrine to honor the pioneer cattlemen who established our industry is a most worthy movement.

We recommend that all those who revere and respect the memory of our predecessors in the cattle industry aid in this movement so that the result may

show appropriate honor to men and women who did so much in such a truly pioneer American way.

Resolution No. 7

WHEREAS, there is pending in the Congress of the United States a bill which, if enacted, would remove from the secretary of agriculture all jurisdiction and control over the meat packing industry in so far as violations of the anti-trust laws are concerned, and place such authority in another department of the government; and

WHEREAS, the meat processed by packers is derived from livestock, an agricultural product, and the Department of Agriculture has had long experience in administering the laws referring to such products, including the anti-trust laws, and has rendered good service in its discharge of such duties;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, in convention assembled, disapprove the enactment of the referred to bill and desires the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture to remain as it is; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we recommend that the Secretary of Agriculture be given adequate funds by the Congress to enable him to properly administer the referred to laws.

Resolution No. 8

WHEREAS, B.H.C. and similar type dips have been recognized and are being used by the U. S. Department of Agriculture in cattle scab work, sheep scab work, and also at some ports of entry into the United States, where cattle enter from ticky areas;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that B.H.C. and similar type dips be recognized and used by the United States Department of Agriculture in all tick work.

Resolution No. 9

WHEREAS, in the year 1929, this Association adopted a resolution recommending the modification of the Consent Decrees that limit the activities of the four major meat packing companies, but such modification has not occurred; and

WHEREAS, we believe that conditions have so changed since the Consent Decrees were promulgated that many of the prohibitions against specific packer activities are no longer needed; and

WHEREAS, we further believe that the present operation of the Consent Decrees now constitutes an impediment to the free marketing of beef and an unjust discrimination against the packers affected by such decrees;

NOW, THEREFORE, We recommend to the Attorney General of the United States and to the Secretary of Agriculture, that the government agree to a modification of the Consent Decrees, so that the affected packers might engage in the retail sale of beef and related products or by-products, as requested by such packers.

Resolution No. 10

WHEREAS, the Texas Water Resources Committee of the State of Texas, in a manner that deserves commendation, has amply demonstrated the necessity of such a committee by its valuable efforts toward the beginnings of a solution of our water problem through bringing together the various controversial groups interested in water, studying their problems, listening to suggestions and ultimately making recommendations for water legislation that have often drawn the support of most segments of Texas economy; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the necessity for a similar committee of a permanent nature, whether it be under the name of the presently suggested "Texas Water Development Board" or under some other name; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the necessity for a master water plan for the State of Texas, now, therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association go on record as favoring the creation of a Texas Water Development Board for the purpose of planning a state-wide program for conservation, management and development of the water resources of the State of Texas and favoring the creation of such board in a manner freeing it from pressure or control of any other state or administrative agency whatsoever; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association that any master plan or other plan so submitted for adoption by the State of Texas must recognize the landowners' rights in diffused surface waters and riparian waters before receiving the support of this organization.

Resolution No. 11

WHEREAS, the rainwaters, surface waters and underground fresh waters are among the most valuable resources of the State of Texas if not the most valuable resource; and

WHEREAS, such waters have been damaged and are being endangered by the continued practice of storing brine in surface pits composed of permeable soil whereby such brine ultimately permeates into underground fresh water sands below and by the continued practice of storing brine in open pits in locations whereby brine is often washed out of such pits by flash floods into adjacent or nearby surface pools or streams, thereby ruining or making impracticable for use such fresh water; and

WHEREAS, such waters have heretofore been damaged by and are continuing to be endangered by the practice of improperly plugging wells, core test and deep seismograph holes and other penetrations of the earth whereby salt water is caused to be intermingled with fresh water by movement through such holes from salt water sands to fresh water sands, thereby ruining or making impracticable for use the fresh water in such sands;

NOW THEREFORE, Be it resolved that the Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association go on record as urg-

ing the Railroad Commission of the State of Texas, or the proper state agency, to exercise all authority it might have to bring about a cessation of such practices; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event no state agency at the present time has the power to cause the discontinuance of such practices, that the Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association go on record as supporting the necessary legislation to put an end to such.

Resolution No. 12

WHEREAS, A federal budget of 78 billion dollars has been submitted to the Congress and

WHEREAS, when the new highway program and social security program is added the amount is 83 billion, and

WHEREAS, this is the largest peace time budget in our history and,

WHEREAS, taxes are becoming so burdensome as to affect the entire economy of our country,

NOW BE IT THEREFORE, RESOLVED, that the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, in annual convention express its concern of the continual rise in federal spending and urge that such spending be curtailed and the budget materially reduced.

Resolution No. 13

WHEREAS the members of the cattle producing industry feel that continued efforts must be made to increase the consumption of their product, beef, and;

WHEREAS such efforts conducted on a state-wide scale in Texas have already been responsible for a proved substantial increase in beef consumption, and;

WHEREAS such efforts can be supported on a national scale only if a voluntary check-off at the markets is permitted, such check-off now being prohibited by the packers and stock yards act,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association go on record endorsing Senate Bill 646 amending the act to give the secretary of agriculture authority to make possible such check-off for the purpose of meat promotion by duly authorized cattle producer groups.

Resolution No. 14

WHEREAS, a tax of 3% was levied on freight charges and 10% on passenger fares by train, plane or bus, and;

WHEREAS, the tax on travel was levied in World War II ostensibly for the primary purpose of discouraging travel on over-burdened public carriers and;

WHEREAS, the tax on freight is levied at every stage of manufacture or marketing resulting in pyramiding the tax and is an unfair burden on the livestock industry;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association express opposition to a continuation of this tax and urge its immediate repeal.

Resolution No. 15

The proper and adequate financing of the Texas Livestock Sanitary Commission is a problem that is of extreme importance to all cattlemen. An efficient livestock sanitary commission is an absolute essential to our industry, and ef-

iciency cannot be obtained without proper and adequate financing by the state.

Livestock sanitation is, in essence, a public health problem, and, as such, is of vital interest to all the people of the state, since it affects the health of all.

WE RESPECTFULLY RECOMMEND to the Legislature of Texas, that adequate funds be provided to enable the livestock sanitary commission to discharge the important and vital duties that are its obligation, including the campaigns to eradicate diseases that are a danger to human health and the prevention of the recurrence of these diseases.

WE FURTHER RESPECTFULLY SUGGEST that the funds appropriated for the livestock sanitary commission be supplied to it in such a way that the commission will be enabled to organize its work on a practical and efficient basis and employ such funds in the manner that will obtain greatest beneficial results. These funds should be provided in such a way that the commission would be allowed to apply them where most needed and not with such specific limitations that they can be used for only one specific purpose.

Resolution No. 16

The City of Houston, all of its officials and all of its citizens, have made our 1957 convention one that we will always remember. No place and no people could have done more for us than has been done by our host city and its people.

We especially want to extend to our old and true friend, Mayor Oscar Holcombe, our sincere thanks for his sixth welcome to us, and we wish for him many years of greatly deserved happiness and prosperity.

And we, likewise, want to particularly thank Ralph Johnston, general chairman of the Arrangements Committee, Wm. A. Smith, Gail Whitcomb, Vernon Frost, Ben Belt and Mrs. Ralph A. Johnston and J. W. Sartwell, each of whom served as Chairman of a Committee provided for our entertainment while here, and we thank each member of the respective committees.

We are grateful to the Bank of the Southwest for the entertainment it so generously gave us and, in fact, we express our sincere gratitude to all of Houston for all that was done in our behalf at this convention.

We also thank the following organizations for their hospitality for providing entertainment for ourselves and our wives—Battlesteins National Bank of Commerce and First City National Bank.

Resolution No. 17

Since our last annual meeting the Divine Ruler of the universe has called from this earth a number of our beloved and respected members. We miss our departed friends and associates and, at this time, express our sincere sorrow because of their deaths.

We express to the bereaved families of our departed members our genuine sympathy and express the hope that we may, when our time comes to enter the Great Roundup, find them again and associate with them forever.

Convention Personalities

At The 80th Annual Convention of Texas
and Southwestern Cattle
Raisers Association



By MARY WHATLEY CLARKE



Mary Whatley Clarke of Fort Worth talks to E. J. Kyle of Bryan during the course of her many interviews with persons attending the convention.

HOUSTONIANS really put out the red carpet of welcome for Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers members and their families at the 80th annual convention in their wonderful city. Not only were they profuse in their warm hospitality but they also had a five inch rain on tap which was a sight for drouth-stricken eyes. Many delegates followed water-covered highways for miles into Houston, but they did not complain. Others like Attorney Joe Montague, counsel for the Association, E. Paul Waggoner and J. B. Taylor of the Waggoner Ranch, Vernon, had to circle over the airport more than an hour before they could land, so dense was the rain. After this God-sent deluge, which made the Pete and Vernon Frost ranches, and others in the section "look like Heaven with surface tanks full once again" the warm sun came out and convention days were perfect.

Cecil Meador of Eldorado, Texas, was on hand from the very first and was still basking in the recent honor he had experienced when his picture was made with President Eisenhower during the President's drouth tour to the San Angelo country. In fact Cecil had the picture to prove it, in his pocket. He says conditions in his area where he has been ranching forty years, are much better and with just a little more rain he can stop this feeding business.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Wells came early and enjoyed their stay in the bayou city. They run "a pretty good grade" of crossbred white face cattle and have been ranching in their area thirty years. Their brand is a half-diamond I. He was born in Collin county and came to Houston after World War One. Since Mrs. Wells had inherited some ranch property from her parents, they decided to go into the ranching business in earnest. They have two children, Mrs. Gardner Duncan of Eagle Lake and R. R. Wells, Jr. Both children are in the ranching business. Wells says they have had good rains and their pastures are the best they have been in years. Two months back they did not have enough pasture to run 100 cattle and were feeding all the time. Now they have range for 1000 or 1500

head. They have fine clover crops in the bottom land along the Colorado River, and lots of good fescue or "rescue" grass, and wild rye.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Wells were the I. V. Duncans, also of Eagle Lake, who have been ranching in that area a half century. Naturally the two families are close friends, since their children have inter-married and the two mutual grandchildren are subjects of affectionate interest.

Some very fine Kansas folks, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Gilbreath, their son James and wife, did not let drouth conditions prevent them from coming to the convention. By the way, this was the first convention for James and his pretty young wife who were married last November, and they really enjoyed it. The Gilbreaths pasture Texas cattle during normal times but their country has been badly hurt by prolonged drouth conditions. They have pastured cattle for Flowers and Ward, Welder and McCan over twenty years. Their country is not only dry now, but water is a problem. They have deep wells on their land which have helped to solve their problem, but they haul water, 1000 gallons at a time and put it in their well, for drinking purposes. Water is very strictly rationed in Madison where the elder Gilbreaths live. James and wife live on the ranch eleven miles out.

The Gilbreaths visited the Lafayette Ward ranch near San Antonio on their way to Houston and said it looked like a picture. Water was standing, the grass was coming back and the Braford cattle were feeding once again off Mother Nature's table.

Carter McGregor, Jr., one of the younger cowmen present, reported that rains had been wonderful up in the Wichita Falls area where he ranches with his dad, Carter McGregor, Sr., who is also president of the First National Bank, Wichita Falls. "The farmers are hollering for the rains to quit so they can plant oats," he reported. The McGregors run Herefords, commercial stock. Incidentally, the "Carter" in their names was inherited from Colonel

Kit Carter, first president of Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association. Carter was the grandfather of Carter McGregor, Senior—a name which these quiet, unassuming Texas ranch people carry with much pride.

There's always been a close affinity between a man and his horse but there's downright love between Edward Paul Waggoner of Vernon and his wonderful quarter horse, Poco Bueno, sixteen times grand champion, and fourteen times grand champion cutting horse. Poco Bueno is "Poco Viejo" now, as he has enjoyed thirteen years of wonderful equestrian life, but like the pioneer ranch family that owns him, his fame will continue to live in Texas ranch history.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McLelland of Fort Worth, enjoyed their stay in Houston. They ranch at Wortham, Texas, and do a lot of commuting. Their son, J. E., Jr., is the ranch boss, where commercial Hereford and Angus cattle are run. There are two grandchildren, Mike, third generation cowboy, and Marsha. Conditions are good on the ranch, with some natural pasture and some grazing land in oats, rye, grass and clover. In fact several head of cattle have died from clover bloat. Since McLelland is a good Irish name, Mrs. McLelland was wearing green gloves on St. Patrick's Day in memory of the old Irish saint.

Grady Swift, Hebronville, district supervisor of Tick Eradication and Border Patrol, drove to the convention with Field Inspector, Gordon Lansford of the Hebronville area. Swift has twenty-nine years of service in his field and can tell many interesting experiences.

H. H. Moore of Navasota, has been named the outstanding farmer and rancher of the Brazos-Robertson soil conservation district in the Save Texas Conservation Awards program. This is the second time he has received the award. He was outstanding farmer and rancher in Region IV last year, which consists of 51 counties. Moore and his attractive wife were enjoying the Hous-

ton convention. Son Bob, and son-in-law Bubba Frede, are Moore's ranching partners—and they too have lost some cattle from clover bloat.

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Brady and Mason ranch friends drove to the convention together and arrived in the rain which was fun at that. They included Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wulff, Mr. and Mrs. Mason Crocker, Brady, and the Walker Whites of Mason. You couldn't find a carload of finer, more congenial ranchfolk.

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L. B. Hapgood, Henrietta ranchman, reported fine conditions on his ranch. He did not have to feed his commercial Herefords during the past winter. He ranches on land settled by his grandfather, W. B. Worsham in 1882 and his ranch joins the Bryant Edwards spread. Hapgood's brand is O-Cross. Daughter Randy is his ranching partner.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Boyt of Devers are down-to-earth, friendly ranchfolk with whom you like to visit. They belong to a pioneer ranching family. C. K.'s dad, E. W. Boyt, now 81, is the senior member of the firm, while his son, Elmer, is junior member, and the proud namesake of his granddad.

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There was a plane load of prominent ranchmen from northwest Texas, the Panhandle and High Plains Country that flew in to Houston during the heavy rain. They were all relieved to feel terra firma under their boots. They included Mr. and Mrs. Newton Harrell, Claude, Boots Montgomery and Cliff Wimberly, Vega, Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Edwards, Henrietta, Fred Hobart, Pampa, Mr. and Mrs. John Biggs, Vernon, the Frank Chappells of Lubbock, and others.

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A charming Oklahoma ranch couple, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dirickson of Vinita, came early and enjoyed their stay in Houston. Dirickson has been ranching always, his father before him. The senior Dirickson operated the well known Addington pioneer ranch in Addington, Okla. for many years, and it was nothing unusual to brand 20,000 calves a year. Of course that was the open range, line camp day, when ranching was "real ranching," and more colorful than it is today. J. C. runs Hereford steers, roughs them through the winter and fattens them on grass. He ranches on good limestone prairies, and has been lucky to have grass and water in his section through the long dry years.

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F. C. Kelley, a fine Irishman, who travels for the St Louis, Mo., stockyard was visiting with many friends in the lobby. He has not missed but one convention in forty years.

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Mrs. Joe Mitchell of Marfa used her husband's big white Stetson for a parasol one night during the rain, and it served very well over her petite figure. Mr. and Mrs. Hayes Mitchell and Mr. and Mrs. D. Burns braved the sprinkle and seemed

W. G. Swenson, left, and A. M. G. Swenson, both of Stamford.



J. B. Simmons, left, of Cleveland and W. A. Scott of Dayton.



Mrs. D. T. Northcutt of Silverton and Mrs. True Burson of Silverton.



Mrs. John Dunn of Alice, left and Mrs. W. A. Steinmann of Houston.



George Shepherd, left, of Fort Worth and Ed Lowrance of San Antonio.





W. F. Eisenberg, left, of Lubbock and G. R. White of Brady.



Mr. and Mrs. D. Burns of Guthrie and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Crews of Childress.



Left to right: Howard Parker, Center; Sam Cutbirth, Wharton and Bill Manning, Houston.



Association attorney Joe Montague, left, of Fort Worth; Mit Dansby, Bryan; H. H. Moore, Navasota and E. J. Kyle of Bryan.



C. M. Frost, left, of Houston and George Clegg of Alice.

to enjoy it. They were all returning from a gala evening in the Houston Club.

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Swenson brothers, Bill and Swede (A. M. G.) were busy chatting with friends. Swede and J. Evetts Haley, Canyon, are Texas trustees for the Cowboy Hall of Fame to be built near Oklahoma City. Some day this handsome museum will rise on the rolling Oklahoma plains "to honor the men and women who have made outstanding contributions to the building of the West and to the preservation and perpetuation of the romance and traditions of the epic Westward Ho Movement, recording their historical achievements and their indomitable spirit for the enlightenment and inspiration of coming generations of American youth."

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Convention or no convention, some of the oldtimers were in the coffee shop by six thirty visiting over their coffee. They included Furd Halsell, Fort Worth, Harrie Winston, Snyder and Lonnie Gates, Laredo.

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The Beken family has been ranching around Weimar for many years. Fritz Beken first came to America with German colonists in early days and made his first money in Texas from the cobbler's trade. Today Beken sons and grandsons ranch in the same area. Arthur Beken a grandson of Fritz, attended the convention with his wife and enjoyed visiting with other ranchmen. They run commercial cattle. Their brand is Lazy A. Their son, Arthur, has started a Charbray herd and plans to have some real fine cattle of his own in a few more years.

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Jimmy Donnell, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Donnell of McMullen county, and a student at the University of Texas, took time off to attend his first convention. Jimmy is six feet one and looks taller in his big white hat. He's a good looking young cattleman. He must get his good looks from his pretty mother whose white hat and white Irish linen collar stood out among fashion highlights at the ladies luncheon in the Empire Room on Tuesday. The Donnells run commercial cattle, mostly steers.

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Mr. and Mrs. Clark Ulrich, Hamilton Kansas, were visiting with friends during the three-day meet. Clark and his brother Tom, ranch in the blue stem country where they were born and raised and where their dad, Bert Ulrich, ranched before them. They run commercial cattle and in good times pasture Texas cattle.

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Pleasant Dalhart, Texas, kinsmen and ranching partners saying "howdy" to friends, included Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Finch and Mr. and Mrs. Fred M. Finch. O. H. is Fred's uncle, and they call their partnership the U. N. (Uncle and nephew) Cattle Company. The Finch family has been in the ranching business a half century or more. O. H. is chairman of the Board of the Citizens State

Bank of Dalhart, and is a historian of note. They are mighty fine Panhandle folks.

Jimmy Miller of Del Rio was chatting one day with U. R. Ritchie of Kansas City Stockyards. Miller has ranch interests in Texas and California and also feeds cattle.

There was plenty of "augering" going on during the convention. Gerard Harrison was in an interested huddle with Bill Barker, of the Producers Livestock Commission Company, Los Angeles, Calif. Harrison ranches at Wharton and over in Lake Village, Arkansas. He runs some Santa Gertrudis up there, and says they are doing fine.

Silverton ranchmen and good friends enjoying the convention together included the D. T. Northcutts and True Bursons. Northcutt is also vice president of the First State Bank in Silverton. All of the Burson brothers have names beginning with the letter T. There are True, Troy and Tony, all ranchmen. The older generation of Bursons had names beginning with the letter J, and included John, Jim, Jade and Jeff. Interesting and unusual, eh?

Harry Hudgins of Sherman brought his old friend, Lee Simmons, to the convention. Simmons is 84 years of age, tall and straight and alert. He was general manager of the Texas Prison system for many years. He is also a past sheriff of Grayson county. He is a lovable character of the Old West.

Morgan R. Chaney of the San Angelo Country says he bought his ranch thirteen years ago and since then has had two rains, but one of them was no good. He says his ranch is on Pine Mountain, Hells Half Acre—that he likes that old dry country because it is good for his health. He has a few pesos outside the ranch to live on, and admits that rocks, leche guilla, and dry weather compose a balanced ration. Strangely enough his mares and race horses fatten on this wonderful chino grass, even in dry weather, it is so rich in animal food. "I have turned my ranch over to one milk cow, a bull and steer," he laughingly said.

Chaney was visiting with his good friend, Len M. Mertz of San Angelo, who used to play a lot of polo and who won the Entra Circuit Polo Championship back in 1932. Before his two sons, Mort L. and Joe M. left the home ranch, the three of them with a cowboy, had a fine polo team and won lots of "silverware." Mertz has been ranching all his life. His father, Mort L. Mertz, was a pioneer cattleman in that area and president of a bank in San Angelo for many years. Mrs. Mertz and her sister, Miss Gladys Mayer, also attended the convention. Miss Mayer is a ranch woman in her own right and loves it.

It's still dry out in Marathon where David Combs has a ranch. But the Here-

Mrs. Newton Harrell, left, of Claude; Mrs. Hall Medford, Amarillo; Mrs. Don Collins, Kit Carson, Colorado and Mrs. E. S. F. Brainard, Canadian.



From left to right: Mrs. John Biggs, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnston of Houston and John Biggs of Vernon.



Mrs. Pat Rutherford, left, of Houston; Mrs. Don Collins, Kit Carson, Colorado; Pat Rutherford and Mrs. Bill Faudree, Midland.



Mrs. Roy Parks of Midland, Archer Romero of Houston and Mrs. Don Collins of Kit Carson, Colorado.



G. L. Buller, left, of Brookshire; E. H. Marks of Barker and Wes Buller of Brookshire.





J. E. McLeland, Sr., left, of Fort Worth; Arthur Beken of Weimer and R. S. Vosburg of Houston.



Mr. and Mrs. George T. Halsell, left; Mrs. Furd Halsell and Glenn Halsell, all of Fort Worth.



Stephen S. Perry, Sr., left, of Freeport; Mrs. Perry McNeill, West Columbia; and Mr. and Mrs. Stephen S. Perry, Jr. of Brazoria.



From left to right: Mrs. Carl Drake and Mrs. G. E. Reuthinger of Laredo; Mrs. A. V. Cook, Alice; Mrs. Frank Harris, West Columbia and Mrs. L. A. Norris of Houston.



Mr. and Mrs. R. E. "Bob" Smith of Houston; E. J. Kyle of Bryan and Mrs. Ralph Johnston of Houston.

fords are coming along fine and there's no harm in hoping for rain. It will eventually come. It always had. Combs' father and grandfather ranched in that section before him.

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A cowmen's convention wouldn't be a convention without G. R. White of Brady. He adds color and pioneer interest to them all. He joined the Association when John T. Lytle was secretary, and that's a long time back. He's one of the oldest living members. He's just missed one convention since joining. White descends from a pioneer Texas family. His father, W. B., rode horseback from Missouri to Texas, after the Civil War. He went up the trail with cattle and did regular ranch work for a few years, and established his ranch in the Brady country in 1876. G. R. grew up on the ranch. He recalled his first saddle, presented to him by F. W. Richards when he was six years old. "A buck chewed off all the strings and I could have killed him," he recalled. White first worked as a cowboy at fifteen dollars a month, from sun to sun, and finally saved six hundred dollars. He bought bank stock—but the bank went broke. He began to save again. Through the years he invested his money in cattle and land and could write a book about his ups and downs in the cow business. There were good years and bad years, but he held on, and is among the successful cowmen of the state today. White has all of his natural teeth but two and has had only one tooth filled in fifty years. He graduated from A. & M. in 1895, and has been a patron and lover of that fine school since. When he first started to A. & M. as a student in 1891, he went in a wagon to Erownwood, some fifty miles distant. The journey took a day and a half. He spent the night in the wagon yard and caught the train the following morning to Bryan. He served as a director of A. & M. College for thirty years. Two halls, a dormitory and an athletic hall, are named for him.

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One morning two handsome bachelors were huddled in a corner consoling each other. It was interesting to hear their descriptions of "the ideal woman." They were J. T. Davis, president of the Sterling City First National Bank, and Beal Pumphrey of the San Antonio Stock Yards. Davis, who has been in the cattle and sheep business for years, admitted he had sold off most of his cattle and had turned his last 55 head loose on his 55 sections of land.

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Karl Leediker and son Karl, Jr., made a handsome father-son team at the convention. They ranch in the Crockett area and run crossbred cattle. Their brands are Bar L and Bar K on the left side. Leediker was born in Denison, but his parents were "Yankees" coming to Texas from Illinois in 1876. "I'm a Southerner," he said, "and when you are in the Crockett Hotel I want you to see a picture of General Lee and his staff which I have presented to the management—Lee was a wonderful man."

J. S. Bridwell of Wichita Falls stopped to say howdy to the Bill Greens of Albany and reminisced about the Christmas order that the late Henry Green, father of Bill, had put in a few years back. He had ordered "two grandsons, because good cowboys were getting harder and harder to find." His unusual request came through on Christmas Day when two fine grandsons were born, Jimmie Mussleman, son of his only daughter, and W. H. Green III, son of Bill. Everyone was happy and Mr. Green wrote his friend Bridwell that his order had been fulfilled and invited him over to see the new generation of cowboys. Bob Green, a brother, and wife also attended the convention from Albany.

Stephen S. Perry, Sr., of Peach Point Plantation, a great-great nephew of Stephen F. Austin, who established this plantation in colonial days, drove to the convention on Tuesday, accompanied by his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Stephen S. Perry, Jr., and Mrs. Perry McNeill of West Columbia. They joined his son, Stephen S. Perry, Jr., who had arrived ahead of them, and all enjoyed their stay very much. The Perrys are real Texans, hospitable and warm hearted.

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The good book says to "honor thy father and mother that it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth." This Biblical commandment is practiced by the Van Cleve brothers of Zavalla County, who revere and honor their 88-year-old pioneer father, C. Van Cleve, one of the few colorful oldtimers left in the great cattle country of Texas. The sons had their dad in charge, at the 80th convention, as always, and as usual the elder Van Cleve attracted attention and comment wherever he was seen. Wearing a broad brim Stetson and bow tie, he is a rugged type with proud sandy mustache. The wind and sun have etched his face as no artist could do. Mr. Van Cleve was the oldest cowman at the convention.

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Coming from the Tarkington Prairie area in the piney woods reanching country about fifty miles from Houston were J. B. Simmons and W. A. Scott, neighbors and friends. They run Brahman cattle. Most of the ranchmen down there also run hogs in the bayou bottoms. Simmons is noted for his home-made sausage. Sometimes he brings along a skin of them and invites friends for breakfast.

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It's fun to drive to the convention with a neighbor because a lot of visiting can be done along the way. F. F. Blackwell and Don Stiles of Cuero did this very thing. Blackwell runs Herefords. Stiles is a cattle buyer.

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Jim Mueller of Mason is a tall, handsome cowman. He is happiest when talking, handling and buying cattle. That's his life. He ranches north of Mason. He recently bought 1225 big steers from the Welder heirs of Victoria. These steers will go to Kansas grass. He

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R. M. Middleton, left, of Liberty; D. W. Rhode, George West; R. J. Welder of Beeville and A. B. Strickland of Buda.



Harris County Sheriff C. V. "Buster" Kern, left, Association field inspector J. C. Dick of League City and chief B. E. Williams of the sheriff's department.



Bill Barker, left, Los Angeles, California; Jimmy Mills, Del Rio and Gerard A. Harrison of Wharton.



Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gilbreath, left and Mr. and Mrs. Dow Gilbreath, all of Madison, Kansas.



Mrs. Kittie Nash Groce, left; J. G. Phillips, Jr., and Mrs. E. P. Womack, Jr., all of West Columbia.



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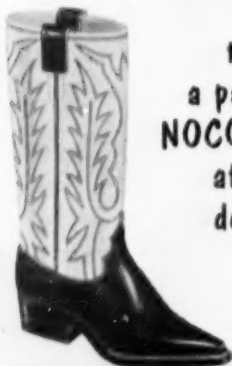
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Cowman's Interest in Soil Bank Legislation

Congressman W. R. Poage, Vice-Chairman of House Committee on Agriculture, Addresses Cattlemen at Convention in Houston

I AM supposed to talk about "The Cowman's Interest in Soil Bank Legislation," so I will try to take that as a text. I fear, however, that I am very like the preacher who said he always talked from a text—sometimes a long way from it. In fact, I realize that many of you don't believe that cattle raising is a part of agriculture at all.

Theoretically, the Soil Bank is intended to do two very desirable things. First it is expected to actually save the fertility of our soils. To leave fertility in the soil—in the banks—rather than requiring the farmer to remove that fertility and sell it in the form of unwanted surpluses. This is a sound concept but we should, in my opinion, give greater emphasis to the conservation reserve features and we should include grass lands in the program. Last year, the House did put a grasslands amendment on the soil bank. I voted for it. The Department of Agriculture objected and the Senate deleted this section.

Again this Spring, I offered a bill, confined to the drouth area, which would require the Secretary of Agriculture to pay the normal rental for the deferred grazing of pasture land. I think this bill is a real conservation measure. We all know that as rains come and a little grass reappears on our drouth depleted ranges, that the economic pressure to graze that grass will be almost irresistible. Most stockmen owe debts. The only way they can make grass land pay their debts is to put stock on the grass. They may well realize that if this crop of grass seed sprouts and is eaten before it can reseed, that there will be no more seed and no more grass. They may be well acquainted with the tragedy of the Middle East and parts of Africa and other parts of the world where good pastures once flourished. They may know very well that overgrazing these grasslands has converted them into sand-blown deserts.

They may know all this and more, but if the banker, the grocer and the doctor all tell that ranchman that they must have their money he must either stock that grass and possibly destroy it for years to come, or he must lease it to someone else who will probably treat it even worse. This bill would give that ranchman another course. It would let him contract with the government not to graze the land for 1, 2 or 3 years and to draw an income. The rancher would be able to hold off his creditors and the nation would be able to hold on to its soil.

Awaiting Action In Land

This bill passed the House nearly two months ago but the Senate has not yet acted. It is not a part of the Soil Bank simply because the Secretary of Agriculture had expressed his opposition to the inclusion of grasslands in the Soil Bank.



W. R. Poage . . . talked about the cowman's interest in soil bank legislation.

The result is, however, quite similar. The landowner, farmer or ranchman, is paid under either program to take his land out of production.

The effect of the Soil Bank on a crop like cotton which has put more than 2,000,000 acres into the soil bank this year is obvious. The more land that is banked the more nearly we approach that illusive balance between production and demand. But the two million acres going into the soil bank is but a very small part of the land which has been taken out of cotton. In 1930 we grew 43,329,000 acres of cotton. In 1925, Texas alone had in cultivation 18,443,000 acres more than our total national crop for the last few years. By 1953 (the last year of unlimited plantings) we were growing only 26,000,000 acres. Allotments have cut that to 17,500,000 acres. The history of wheat is similar — dropping from an all time high of 84,000,000 acres to about 78,900,000 in 1953 down to a present allotment of 55,000,000 acres of which approximately 12,000,000 acres has gone into the soil bank this year.

Now these are substantial acreages, and their disposition affects a great many people, but it probably affects livestock growers more directly than any other group in the country.

Let us for the moment forget the acres which have gone into the soil bank as they are not going to be used to produce feed or forage — but what of the almost eighty million acres that have been diverted from wheat and cotton alone prior to the advent of the soil bank? What has happened to these acres? Obviously, some of them have gone into grass — either pastures or hay meadows. Some of them

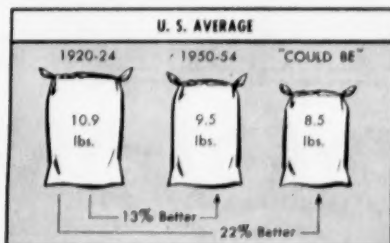
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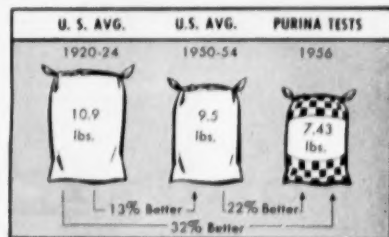
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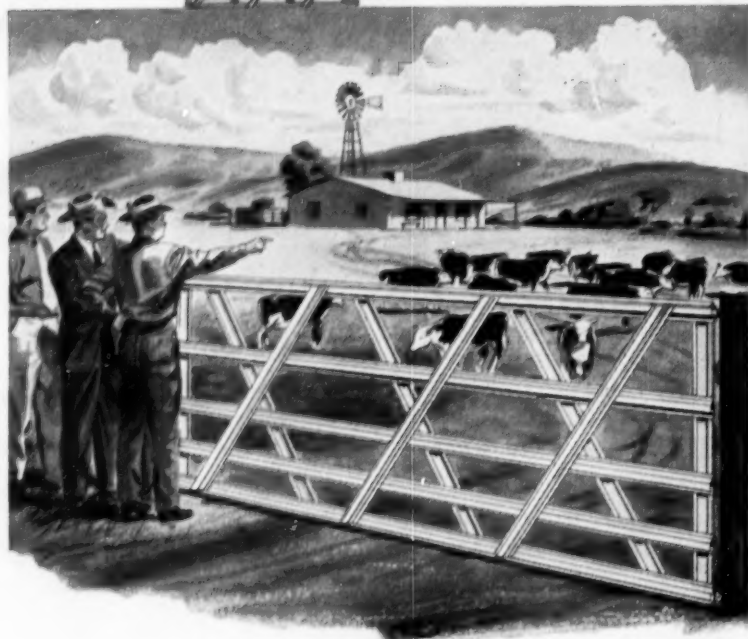
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have fallen victim to erosion — a few have been put into forests, but the great bulk of these acres — surely more than 50,000,000 — are still in cultivation and are growing feed grains of some kind — corn, maize, oats and barley. This is a tremendous acreage and the volume of feed involved must be substantial, indeed. Surely it has tended to keep the price of feed much lower than it would otherwise be — because it has vastly increased that supply.

Nor has this great shift of acreage been the only factor in keeping feed prices low. Not only has there been a fast increase in the supply of feed grains, there has been an almost equally spectacular decline in the demand. In 1920 we had a horse and mule population of approximately 29,000,000 in this country. It took approximately 90,000,000 acres of feed grain to feed them. Today our horse and mule population is down to a mere 3,558,000. We may, therefore, fairly say that the automobile and the tractor have added another 80,000,000 acres to our feed grain production. Surely this has tended to hold the price of feed down.

More Efficient Feed Conversion

Another factor which had had the same effect as increasing our feed acreage has been the rapid progress which feeders have made in the economical use of feed. One hundred pounds of feed will probably today convert into as much beef or pork as 150 lbs. did a generation ago. And modern science is tending to give us an even more efficient conversion ratio. While all of this undoubtedly has made it possible to sell meat more cheaply than if feed costs were greater, it has just as surely made it possible for our livestock population to expand.

Admittedly, the full impact of all of these changes have not actually been fully reflected in the price of feed because our livestock production and particularly our cattle production has increased so rapidly that the feed grower has until recently been able to pretty well maintain and even raise his absolute price, although his relative prices have declined. The real effect of this has been, as I see it, to transfer at least a substantial part of the loss in price which feed growers would have otherwise suffered to hog and cattlemen. If you do not agree with this let me ask you what the price of cattle would be today if these extra acres of feed grains had not come into existence. Of course, without this extra feed it would be utterly impossible to support 95,166,000 cattle in the United States no matter what you paid for feed. Just suppose for a moment that we were still planting 88,000,000 acres of wheat and selling it for flour and that we were planting 44,000,000 acres of cotton. Wouldn't that fact make a tremendous difference in your cattle prices? Wouldn't it vastly increase all livestock prices?

If this is true, my friends, and I think it is, how can any cattleman sit by and say that he is not involved in the Soil Bank? It is not the fact that 80 million acres have gone out of cotton and wheat that concerns you. Your cattle



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never ate any of that cotton or wheat except the by-products such as cake and a little low grade wheat along with a very little wheat pasture. What has really changed your business has been that fact that a large part of those acres are now producing cow feed. If in the future, all diverted acres go into the soil bank they will not tend to increase the livestock population and decrease the price of meat.

But I know that some of you are still trying to say to me that you want cheap feed. That you buy and that you do not sell corn or any other feed. I know that that is what some stockmen have always wanted. Well, you had it on a national basis the last four years. How do you like it? Oh, of course, I know that we haven't had cheap feed in the drouth stricken Southwest. We have had to ship our feed in and the transportation costs have made all feed high. I personally am feeding hay on my McLennan Co. dairy right now which came from Idaho and which cost me better than \$2 per bale laid down. But the feed really was quite reasonable. Only \$20.00 per ton in Idaho but since I don't get any government aid—because I don't make my living from the dairy—it was very costly to me—but what I mean is that feed over the country as a whole is cheap—very cheap right now and has been ever since the price of cattle broke. Just before I left Washington I was offered corn at \$1.04. But it was in the corn belt. That fact remains that ever since 1951 feed has been cheap.

Cheap Feed Makes Cheap Livestock

Has this cheap feed helped any cowman get a better price for his cattle? Of course, not. Cheap feed makes cheap livestock—and try as you will you can't escape it. The hog men learned that long ago. They say "cheap corn makes cheap hogs." We all know that is true. Generally, the same trends are reflected in cattle although it may be a year later before they show up. What the average stockman actually wants is to be able to get feed cheaper than his neighbor. Of course, so long as he succeeds in doing this he has a profit formula, but when feed is cheap over the country as a whole, the record indicates that cattle are going to also be cheap.

All past experience is witness to the fact that livestock producers go broke most often during periods of cheap and abundant feed and that they enjoy their greatest prosperity in times when the price of feed is stable and at a level profitable to feed producers.

I have already made reference to the fact that the American factory worker could even with the high meat prices of 1951 buy more beef with less hours of work than he could forty years before when beef was cheap. This was because the worker's income was greater in 1951 than in 1911. But is there anyone who would say that that worker was worse off in 1951 even though he had to pay a \$1.20 per pound for a choice steak? Is there anyone who would claim that that worker could ever hope to get \$1.75 per hour if he were buying choice steaks for

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That is exactly what Congress has been doing in all of our efforts to get a practicable soil bank program calculated to reduce the production of corn. Many of us believe that to be effective we must have a program which will deal with all feed grains. That is what the two months fight was about. Some members seemed to believe that you could solve the tremendous all-time surplus in feed grains simply by trying to take some acres out of production in the Commercial Corn area. Others of us felt very strongly that we were but pouring money down a rat hole if we did not deal with all feed grains. We did not think that we could keep the basin from overflowing simply by cutting off one of the two faucets. But be that as it may, we all agreed that with unprecedented surpluses of corn there simply can't be any stability in the livestock market until we stabilize the price and the supply of feed. Today the supply of feed is far greater than the demand. Very little feed is ever allowed to go to waste. Practically all of it will eventually find its way into livestock. Unless something is done to meet the present situation, it seems calculated to still further increase our already excessive livestock population and to still further depress our already depressed livestock prices. It is in an effort to prevent just that that our Committee and the Congress first passed the Soil Bank Act and are now trying to extend it in the particular field of feed grains.

Still Too Many Cattle

Turning from the feed supply picture we find that on the other hand, the supply of cattle is in excess of the demand for meat. Rather naturally there are suggestions that we should apply the same principal of proration or control of production to cattle which we have applied to crops and to soil. I know your very natural reaction against any such suggestion. I know the very practical difficulties in administering any such program. I know that you feel that you would prefer to try even more seriously than ever to increase the demand for your product and I join in that feeling. In fact, I have personally introduced a bill H.R. 5244 to enable you to voluntarily deduct ten cents per head from the sale of cattle on the markets to finance a beef promotion campaign. This bill will be heard before my own sub-committee in Washington week after next. I hope it passes and I hope it works. Certainly, I would rather increase demand than to reduce production of beef but I am realistic enough to know that the amount of beef we can get the American

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TEXAS BEEF COUNCIL

Leo Weldor Hopeful Check-off System Can be Established to Finance Promotion Program

*A speech delivered by Leo Welder, president of the Texas Beef Council, before
The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Convention in Houston.*

LAST September the Texas Beef Council entered its third and perhaps most critical year of existence. As all of you know, the Beef Council enjoyed a very successful first year in 1955 and 1956, with a fully subscribed budget, a very successful and well carried out program, and produced a tangible result in the form of a 17 per cent increase in beef consumption in Texas.

You will all recall that, when this program was launched, it was planned and assumed that we would support its cost for the first year by voluntary memberships and subscriptions, but that we would work toward a uniform check-off at the local stockyards and auctions as rapidly as possible, so that the load would be divided uniformly, and so that there would be no expensive fund-raising plan process to perform. As a part of this plan, arrangements were made to obtain similar contributions from the direct shippers and on cattle bought on the range, making sure that contributions came from that source, even though the cattle did not go through the market place.

We reported to you a year ago that considerable success had been met in obtaining the cooperation of the cattle auctions, but that we ran up against a stone wall with the commission firms at the posted markets, due to the Packers & Stockyards Administration's interpretation of the Packers & Stockyards Act as being prohibitive of such a check-off, even though the deduction would be voluntary and refundable on request of the shipper.

This left us in the position of having no way to finance national beef promotion on a large scale other than by seeking legislation to make possible this check-off, and such action was attempted late in the last legislative session.

Greatly Restricted Budget

Suffice it to say that this situation forced us to continue to carry out the Texas Beef Council's program on a greatly restricted budget, since we must continue to rely on voluntary contributions, without going into expensive field work and money raising procedures.

Our second year, ended last September, showed results almost equal to the first year, though the budget under which it was operated was substantially reduced. The people through whom meat is sold, the chain stores and groceries, reported an additional increase in beef consumption of 16 per cent, bringing our two-year total consumption increase up to 33 per cent. The meat packers have been uniform in their approval of our



Leo Welder . . . cattlemen must continue and expand their beef promotion programs.

program and their requests that it be continued.

We entered our third year last September on a budget of somewhat less than half the original program, with every expenditure cut down to the barest minimum, and every activity geared to get the maximum mileage from every dollar. We have continued our recipe services to the food editors of all Texas newspapers, television and radio stations, and have continued our cordial relationships with the home economists, insuring their continued interest in our program and their continued support of our objectives.

The interest which has been aroused among these editors in beef has been so firmly rooted that, even despite our reduced budget, we have obtained in the past six months almost three times as much publicity for beef as was obtained in the same period during the first year of the program.

Beef Week in Texas Big Success

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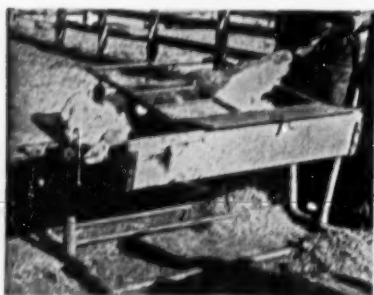
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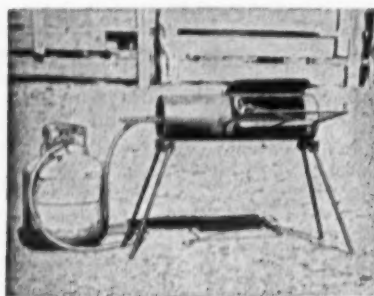
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Membership in the Beef Council is down somewhat, since some of the first small contributors have dropped out, but, in the main, the large contributors have stayed with us and our position today is that we have accomplished the first half of our third year's program within the approved budget and continue to operate without a deficit or any threat of a deficit.

The future of beef promotion as a major factor nationally depends, of course, upon the enabling legislation to permit the cattle industry to obtain its

funds by a check-off at the market place, so that the load can be distributed equally and so that there need be no very expensive fund raising mechanism. Until this is accomplished, it is vital that the principle and action of beef promotion be kept alive by bigger and successful state programs, because no national program can ever be financed without a check-off. The Texas Beef Council is, and has been, the most successful state program in the cattle industry, and it is the intention of your representatives on its executive committee to see to it that it continues to keep a productive and a successful program going, no matter on how modified a basis, until such time as a major program can be financed.

Shipping Fever In Cattle

Abstract of Paper Given by Nelson B. King, Veterinary Science Department, Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station, Before the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Convention

SHIPPING fever is an acute respiratory disease which commonly follows the movement of cattle from place to place. It most commonly follows the shipping of beef cattle from range areas to midwestern feedlots.

The disease causes loss in weight and condition, lengthening of the feeding period and deaths. The national loss in production is estimated by the United States Department of Agriculture to be approximately \$25,000,000 each year. To this must be added the large costs of attempted prevention of the disease and the treatment of sick animals.

Although accurate figures on the incidence of shipping fever are not available, the following information gives some indication of the serious nature of the disease. For instance in Ohio last year, less than 50 per cent of the veterinarians reported 12,000 cases in over 2,000 herds. It is reasonable to assume that other states in the Corn Belt probably have a similar number of cases.

The lack of knowledge concerning the cause of the disease indicates that the problem is complex. This together with the high cost of cattle disease investigation, explains in part the lack of research on the disease.

It is thought that more than one type of agent may be involved, this coupled with the stress imposed by shipment may produce shipping fever.

Observations made on this disease at the Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station indicate that hemorrhagic septicemia antiserum used as a preventive had little or no value in controlling shipping fever. Various antibiotics such as penicillin and a combination of penicillin and streptomycin seem to be of some benefit, especially when given prior to shipment and again when the calves arrive at the feedlot.

After accompanying two shipments of cattle from Texas to Ohio, it seems there is a real need for livestock disease con-



Dr. Nelson King . . . "shipping fever is one of the most serious of livestock diseases."

trol officials to study measures for improving the sanitation and facilities for caring for cattle in transit. Also, study should be given to measures for reducing shipping fatigue by eliminating, as much as possible, the time required for shipping cattle from the range to midwestern feedlots.



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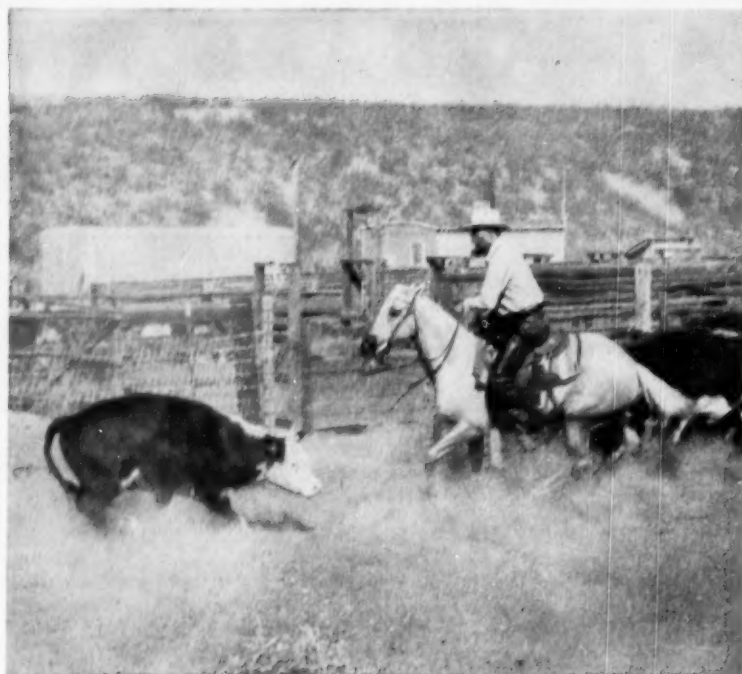
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Urges Caution in Restocking

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Admittedly the numbers in the low years show understocking. Some place in between is the "balance point" because nature surely has taught us that we can not sustain the highest level forever.

Cattle Numbers Still High

Perhaps Texas has reached the "balance point," but it is important that we recognize that numbers are still high here and across the nation. And our plans for restocking had best be made with that in mind.

Irrigation is going to help some, better range management is going to help too—but just how far off normal can we get without having Mother Nature whack us over the knuckles with the ruler of drouth again and again?

Now, I'm not foolish enough to stand here and tell you that you shouldn't restock your ranges when and if those rains come again. In fact, I'm understocked and will be right in there bidding with the rest of you for replacements.

But I can not be strong enough in warning that the word "Caution" should be engraved in every stockman's hat band. This is no year to go to extremes in bidding for anything in sight. The signs of continued danger are certainly apparent to everyone who looks past the first grass in his own pasture.

Only time will tell whether our market can, at a favorable price, absorb all that we have on feed this year plus what we might have to send to market if the drouth is not broken. Calf numbers in the Corn Belt are the highest in history—and those calves can go on feed at any time, early or late, so no one is looking for a "hole" in the fat market. And no one is looking for wild bidding for our new crop of feeders next summer and fall.

Only Time Will Tell

And only time will tell, too, whether we will really need all the numbers of cattle some of the economists are predicting for the future. The only answer to that is in what science will do for the cow business—the science of nutrition, feed conversion, breeding and so forth. We've only perched on the threshold of doing fabulous things with our critters. The relationship of numbers with tonnage may be changed considerably in the next few years, as it has started already with the increased and widespread use of hormones and antibiotics in feeding, for instance.

There are many signs pointing to a more favorable future—some even meaning considerable relief for this very year. Substantial rains and snows across some of the drouth area already give us hope that at least some of you will have enough feed to carry on. An amazing stability in the live cattle market

was revealed in January when cattle slaughter hit a new all-time high for that month—and the prices did not break as would normally be expected. Demand for beef is being sustained at a level we could hardly predict a few years ago.

And perhaps most favorable of all is the changing attitude of the stockman himself. He's paying very close attention to every factor affecting his business. He's beginning to concentrate his attentions on research, beef promotion, market study, and other aspects of the industry in which only a few short years ago most of us had only casual interest.

Skeptical of Drouth Relief Programs

I'd like to speak a minute on another matter of concern to a lot of you. That's the various proposals to pay stockmen for keeping cattle from grazing acres already hard-hit by drouth.

While being opposed to the principle of the thing—paying people for doing what they've already done, or should be doing—we will not oppose any program which will help distressed, drouth-area ranchers hold on, meet their bills and be prepared for the future. A drouth is a national disaster and should be treated as such. That is why the American National has been a leader in developing the many drouth-relief measures we've had recently.

But there is a big if in these current proposals. They will be helpful and acceptable to all if they are designed and administered so that the relief goes to those who need it most and are continued only until the emergency is over. Then they will avoid the danger of becoming political playthings, accompanied by all the controls and interference which become necessary when the government undertakes to control production or price.

If it is solely a drouth-relief program, the stockman can enter it, or not, as he chooses. But he'd be wise to keep his eyes wide open to see that it does not create more evils than it set out to correct.

Obviously the threat of controls has been one of the stockman's biggest objections to the many schemes suggested for "aid" to the industry in recent years. Too often these schemes fail to distinguish between the words "control" and "balance."

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Cowman's Interest in Soil Bank Legislation

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people to eat is limited—and very few foreigners indeed can pay enough to make it profitable for us to ship beef to them. I doubt, in the absence of a decided upturn in the general purchasing power of our people if we can hope to substantially effect the consumption of beef. Oh, we can doubtless make the promotion much more than pay for itself but it could do that many times over and still leave our supply in excess of our demand. Let's try promotion of beef sales. Let's do everything we can to expand our market. Let's hope for the best as cowmen always do, but then let's look the facts in the face, and the unpleasant facts are that we are still quite likely to have so many cattle we can't get the price up.

What then are we going to do if we are not going to apply direct production controls to live cattle? I don't want to prorate cattle and I know you don't—and I don't think we have to at this time. I think the answer is short and simple. And I don't think it is nearly so unpalatable to you as many of you have doubtless supposed. I think that the cattle industry needs the soil bank—needs it probably more than any segment of agriculture—but you need it not so much for your own pastures—although I would like to see it there. But, you need it particularly for cotton, for wheat and for corn—all with the objective of taking acres out of corn and other feed grains and of keeping further acres from going into feed grains. Yes, I think that for a long time to come the cattle industry needs less feed and less cattle. Higher priced feed and higher priced cattle. I don't think we need to embark on the complex sea of direct controls of cattle production. Our cattle population will always adjust itself to the feed supply. If we deliberately reduce this feed supply we will automatically reduce our cattle population. As we reduce the number of cattle coming to market the old law of supply and demand will in the true free enterprise tradition force the price of cattle higher.

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Livestock Credit Problems

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Production Down, Prices Higher

As post-war consumer demand outran production, beef cattle population dropped 9 per cent from January 1945 to December 1947, while beef and cattle prices rose. Then expansionary forces began to dominate the picture. Slaughter of cattle dropped 23 per cent and calves 37 per cent in the next four years while total numbers rose 29 per cent. The price of cows rose 100 per cent, steers 122 per cent, and calves 147 per cent above 1945 levels. Faced with shrinking supplies of slaughter beef and rising consumer prices, per capita consumption dropped from 68 pounds in 1947 to 55 pounds in 1951. In that year the increased production from this expanded cow herd began to hit the market in a wave that was augmented by the increasing pressure of drought in many areas. Slaughter rates increased about 45 per cent and the price of cows dropped 50 per cent in two years.

Unfortunately, it is difficult to reverse such an expansionary trend over night. Cattle population continued to increase until this past year when drought and others factors finally brought about a reduction of about 2 per cent. The fact that prices have been fairly stable over the past four years, in spite of the increasing supply, is due in large measure to the high consumer buying power which permitted an increase in per capita consumption from the low figure of 55 pounds in 1951 to 84 pounds last year.

Good Job Promoting Beef

Here I want to pay tribute to the cattle raisers generally and to this Association in particular for the outstanding job that has been done in promoting beef consumption. Certainly, one of the major problems of agriculture is that of increasing per capita utilization of animal products with their higher land requirements and thereby facilitating the diversion of more land from the production of surplus crops to the production of meat, milk and poultry products.

But let us turn back to our general economic situation for a moment. The boom phase of the cattle cycle which I have just recounted took place in a period of abundant money and credit and with no restraint whatsoever in the excessive expansion which ultimately proved so

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disastrous to cattle producers. What took place in this relatively small sector of the total economy is illustrative of the problem facing the economy in general during the past two years. In referring to this as a small sector, I fully realize its importance to you and yet the fact remains that the gross income from beef cattle amounts to less than 1.5 per cent of the gross national product.

The relatively stable level of prices in 1953 and 1954 appeared to continue in 1955 largely because of the drop in farm prices, which tended to offset the rise in industrial prices. With the slight up-turn in farm prices in 1956, consumer prices, which had held fairly stable through 1953, '54 and '55 at an index of about 114.5 based on 1947-49, rose to an index level of 118 in December 1956.

It was in the light of this situation that the Federal Reserve has attempted over the past two years to resist these inflationary pressures. This has been done by retarding the rate of growth in the money and credit supply of the country. Contrary to the belief of some, there has not been a reduction in available credit.

Obviously, the price increases that have occurred are evidence of the fact that this policy was not as effective as might have been desired. In fact, this rise in prices accounted for approximately half of the almost \$24 billion increase in gross national product this last year. Part of this slippage may have been due in part to misjudgment as to degree or timing of credit and monetary restraint. On the other hand, it must be remembered that credit and monetary policy is not the only factor in the picture. Fiscal policy of government and labor-management negotiations of wages are also important contributing factors.

Farm Land Up, Farm Products Down

True, agriculture has been in an unfavorable position for several years. There is no evidence, however, that its difficulty is in any way due to cost or availability of credit. With a rapidly rising population, an increasing per capita consumption of food, and an unsurpassed level of consumer purchasing power, it is quite evident that agriculture's principal problem is excess productive facilities. In fact, the rise that has taken place in the price of farm land in the face of falling prices of farm products over the past several years may be in part a result of too easy credit. Present land prices in many areas may not reflect realistic appraisal of the long-time earning capacity of the land. This is especially true in some of the drouth areas. Unusually favorable seasons, plus abnormal world markets during the war years, brought a lot of land into cultivation that should normally be in grass. Capitalization of that land on the basis of wartime yields and prices has retarded readjustments that must be made sooner or later.

Reverting submarginal cropland to grass has been going on for some time, especially in the Southeast, as you well know. It is not improbable that this may ultimately have some effect on the price of western range lands. On the other hand, observation of the inflation that

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has taken place in the last fifteen years and fear of further inflation have caused many people to look at land as a good hedge against further attrition in the value of the dollar. This, together with the need to enlarge existing units to a more efficient size, has created a demand for land that continues to exert an upward pressure in prices.

Again looking at the broad economic picture, it has seemed to be the best policy, and in fact the only policy under present law, to combat these inflationary pressures by restricting the total amount of available credit and allowing the market to determine the allocation of that credit. Lenders are forced to become more selective in their extension of credit. Marginal borrowers, both for current consumption needs and for speculative investment in expansion of plant and equipment, are forced to curtail their expenditures, thus reducing the demand pressure on prices. This means that some wants must be deferred until an orderly and sustainable growth can increase our productive resources to meet demand.

Naturally, this credit restraint has resulted in a rise in interest rates. Money is like any other commodity and when demand exceeds supply the price or interest rate goes up. Credit costs, however, are but a fraction of the total cost of operation and to the extent that credit restraint is successful in minimizing rising prices for the goods and services that make up the bulk of operating costs, some rise in interest rates would seem to be a small price to pay for general price stability.

And now let us turn to the situation confronting the cattle industry at this time. The drouth may not be broken but certainly it is cracked and the future looks more promising than it has in some time.

There are several things that should be considered as we look ahead. The first of these, particularly in the worst of the drouth areas, is the reestablishment of range and feed reserves. Everyone familiar with the livestock business realizes that adequate feed supplies are the basis of a sound operation. In an area susceptible to frequent drouth, the prudent man will maintain a conservative stocking rate on his range and a roughage supply adequate to provide at least one and preferably two years' reserve. Some men have done this consistently in the past. When drouth began to impinge on their reserves too heavily, they reduced their herds rather than accumulate excessive debt for feed. In this way they avoided unnecessary damage to their ranges and conserved their assets so as to be in position to restock as conditions improved. These men should have little difficulty in getting back into business as their ranges recover and they have opportunity to rebuild their feed reserves.

Other men let their optimism run away with their better judgment. They were running too close to the line for comfort to start with. At the first sign of drouth, they were short of feed but, with more optimism than judgment in many cases, they bought feed hoping for a better day soon. As the drouth con-

tinued, they went further into debt and their stock fell off in condition as they tried to stretch limited supplies of expensive feed too far. Some of these have already been squeezed out of business. Others are still hanging on but they have incurred feed bills that exceed the value of their herds. In addition, their ranges have been so badly depleted as to require several favorable seasons to reestablish themselves. In many cases, it will take not only time but money for reseeding and other range rehabilitation measures.

Unfortunately, there are also some operators who, through lack of ability in this type of business or because of inadequate holdings to provide an efficient operation, can never hope to make a satisfactory living in their present situation.

Drouth Relief For Good Operators


Many, however, are potentially good operators and are deserving of help in getting back on their feet. Part of this help may be through some form of Soil Bank or Deferred Grazing program for drouth-stricken range lands. I understand that the Department of Agriculture is still considering the possibility of such a program. Any such program, it seems to me, should have several safeguards. It should be limited to the drouth-stricken areas of traditional range land; it should require a minimum term equal to the continued duration of the drouth plus the necessary time to rehabilitate the range, possibly two or even three years to prevent too early and too heavy grazing of immature growth; and it should provide safeguards for the interest of tenants.

There will doubtless be need for additional credit for restocking on an intermediate term basis. Personally, I favor the proposal to extend the maximum term on FHA livestock loans beyond the present three-year limit. In many cases of fully adequate collateral, loans should be based not only on the collateral and the integrity of the borrower but also on the soundness of his operation and the probability that it can produce an adequate return to liquidate the debt under normal conditions.

In connection with this need for credit, I would hope and expect that private and cooperative lenders would meet that need in all credit-worthy cases to the maximum of their ability as they have in the past. To the extent that additional credit is needed from FHA, I would hope that it would be available at reasonable rates but not at rates so far below current market rates as to provide an incentive for borrowers to seek to shift from private credit sources to government credit.


Still too Many Cattle


Aside from credit and the condition of the ranges, there is another problem to be considered. The heavy reduction in cattle population in the Southwest has not resulted in a corresponding reduction in numbers for the nation as a whole. Many of the cattle lost to Texas and the Southwest have been moved to other states and the national total is still excessive. With our rapidly growing population and a continued effort to promote increased beef consumption, our current



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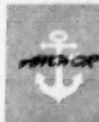
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rate of production can be absorbed in time at increasingly favorable prices. Even gradual restocking can be accomplished without undue pressures in the market. On the other hand, too rapid expansion could lead to a build-up of speculative fever and over-expansion such as hit the industry just a few years ago. Certainly, we do not want to go through that again so soon. In fact, the present favorable corn-hog ratio may lead to another build-up in hog production next year, which could have an adverse effect on beef consumption.

In this connection, some restraint on the availability of credit may serve as an effective deterrent to the establishment expansion, or even continuation of too many unsound or inefficient operations. Certainly, there ought to be little credit for restocking available to the man who has abused his range and exhausted his resources.

Today, even with some abatement of inflationary pressures in certain sectors, the economy is still running at a high level with full employment and a rising level of personal income, which means increased alternative opportunity for the man who finds himself with inadequate resources to continue a farm or ranch operation.

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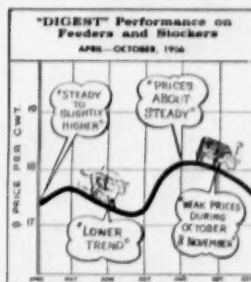
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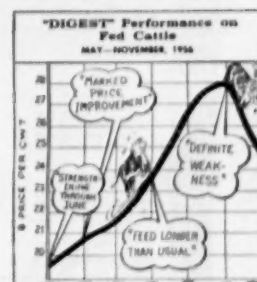
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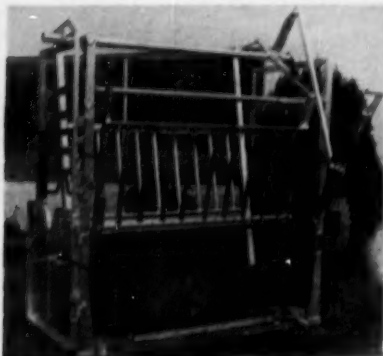
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Convention Personalities

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Mrs. Dolph Briscoe and Mrs. Albert Gates were two attractive young matrons enjoying the big get-together.

They went on shopping tours while husbands attended business sessions. The husbands are following in their fathers' footsteps and the children will some day follow in theirs. Thus is the grand heritage of Texas ranching carried on. Mrs. Gates thinks "grass folks" are closer together than other people. This is probably true, because in reality they are down to earth.

Furd Halsell stays young and handsome in the early eighties and there's a reason. His charming wife takes awfully good care of him. Halsell is one of the senior Association members, having joined when he was sixteen years of age and he's been attending conventions ever since. He and Mrs. Halsell will have been married 59 years this fall. They have been living in Fort Worth fifty years. Their son Glen, was also present at the convention, as well as Mr. and Mrs. George Halsell of Fort Worth. George manages the Burnett Estate, which keeps him busy, but he loves it. There's a big clan of the Halsells. All are ranchmen from a way back.

Most of the talk was about cattle, the need of rain, etc, but a few folks got off on the coming senatorial race. Somebody asked George Light II, of Cotulla, which candidate he thought would win and he replied, "That's like asking me when it's going to rain."

Lots and lots of old friends were shaking hands with Henry Bell, former secretary of the Association. Henry looks fine, has lost weight and says he spends a lot of time gardening.

H. S. Thompson of El Campo says his ranch is in good shape after some welcome rain. He runs crossbred cattle in Texas, and Santa Gertrudis in Eudora, Ark., where there has been plenty of rain. He has been in the ranching business since 1915. His brand is ITI.

A group of smartly dressed ranch women looked like models themselves as they headed for the style show luncheon in the Empire Room. They included Mesdames J. G. Phillips and E. P. Womack, West Columbia; Rayford Smith, Houston; and Kittie Nash, Groce. Incidentally, Mrs. John Moyar, mother of Mrs. Womack was present from Montana. Up in her state the ranch women have their auxiliary to the Association, which they call the "Cowbells." Why don't the women start something like that in Texas?

A group of interesting people were visiting in the hotel lobby one morning. They included; Mrs. G. Teter Spencer of El Dorado, Kansas, Mr. and Mrs. Tom H. Carothers of Palestine, and Mrs. Carothers' parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Coughran of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Williams of Victoria and Mrs. W. O. Manning of Houston.

Mrs. Spencer operates her own ranch in the Flint Hills, blue stem grass country in Greenwood and Butler counties. It is called Teter Land and Cattle Company and she has managed it since the death of her brother, James M. Teter, who died in 1953. The land was settled by her grandparents almost one hundred years ago. In good times Mrs. Spencer pastures Texas cattle, but at the present time she is pasturing very lightly and caring for the grass.

Tom Carothers is one of those tall, lean Texans. He measures six feet five



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and has literally been "looked up to" all his life. "The cattle business isn't too hot just now," he admitted with a South Texas drawl. "I run a few cattle in the pine trees, but went 'plum broke' a year ago." His pretty wife chimed in, "Tom went into the glass business to get his mind off his cattle, then he went into the coon dog business to take his mind off the glass." Tom raises coon dogs, black and tan, the old Clark strain now almost extinct and has a lot of fun doing it. His mother-in-law, Mrs. Coughran, spoke up, "His dogs are pedigreed, but his cattle are not."

Bob Coughran is a cowboy of the old school, has been ranching most of his life. Coughran, near San Antonio, is named for his family. He ranches in the Big Bend in early days and back in 1902 helped to drive 400 cows and calves from that area to Mitchell County. They were on the trail three months. He is now with the Houston Agricultural Credit Association.

Burt McCloy, a jovial, twinkling-eyed cowman came over to say howdy to this talkative group about this time. He ranches near Angleton, where he has been twenty years or more. "I have spent my life on the Texas coast, and wouldn't feel at home anywhere else," he said. As far as he can find out, he's the only McCloy in Texas.

Mrs. Polly Covert of Austin was another charming ranch woman present, who operates her own ranch, looks after three children, and exhibits fine calves at the Southwestern Exposition in Fort Worth.

Mrs. John Dunn of Alice, attended the convention and is proud that her father, the late W. H. Crain of Cuero, was present at the first national cattlemen's convention in St. Louis. At this history-making gathering of cowmen he was presented with an ivory-handled pistol by the Association for outstanding ser-

vice to the cattlemen of the Southwest. Mrs. Dunn was accompanied by her pretty niece, Mrs. W. A. Steinmann of Houston, and a granddaughter of W. H. Crain.

Mrs. Alan T. Jefferies of Clarendon, a daughter of the late Frank Collinson whose stories are now running currently in *The Cattleman*, attended the convention with her inspector husband, and did some of the things she had been wanting to do in Houston. She attended a sale in the Episcopal Church and took back some good ideas for a similar church sale in Clarendon, and she was hoping to have time to see the beautiful Houston flower show.

Headed for the style show luncheon was a bevy of ranchwomen including Mesdames L. A. Norris, Houston; Frank Harris, West Columbia; A. V. Cook, Alice; G. E. Reuthinger and Kyle Drake of Laredo. They all had fun visiting and shopping in their spare hours.

Another popular oldtimer was Uncle George Clegg of Alice. "I'm just an old worn out cowman, 85 years old, over fifty years a member of the Association," he said. He's a popular member and lots of folks were shaking his hand and saying hello. Clegg was born in Victoria County. His grandfather, Edward Clegg, was in old Indianola in the big storm in 1881. Pete Frost of Houston, came up to join the conversation, so he and Uncle George had their picture made together. "I'm mighty proud to pose with Uncle George", he said. "He's the dean of quarter horse breeders and his famous 'Old Sorrel' has made horse history on the King Ranch".

R. M. Middleton ranches in Chambers County, and lives in Liberty. He runs Brahman mixed breed cattle and has been in the business as far back as he can remember. "The country is in good

shape" he said. "I believe the drouth is over."

A. B. Strickland, inspector from Austin was busy as a bee, visiting with cowmen from here and there and glad to see such a fine rain in the Houston area.

D. W. Rhodes runs white faced cows in the George West country and his brand is Triangle R. Conditions are much improved and he is looking forward to a much better year.

Few families have been ranching in Texas longer than the Welders. They've been in Texas since 1833. There's a big clan of them too and most of them are kin. R. J. ranches in the Beeville area, runs crossbred Brahms and Herefords. His brand is open A cross.

Mrs. Agnes Booth of Fort Bend County operates her own ranch. She runs white face cattle. She travels over the ranch in a jeep. She's been managing the ranch fifteen years. She is the mother of three children. She was visiting with Mrs. R. R. Allsup of Houston one day during the convention.

The Ray Smyths of "Poverty Knob," Aledo, were on hand again, having driven down with Mr. and Mrs. Larry Truscott. The Smyths have a feed lot in Aledo, own some wonderful horses, and like to deer hunt in the fall in the Davis Mountain Country. It's a toss up who kills the best buck, and last year Mrs. Smyth took the cake. She had a 12-point beauty, and the head is now mounted in their ranch home.

R. T. Waddell of Odessa wore a fifty-year-old badge to the convention. He bought it in Fort Worth for fifty cents when he was 18 years old. It's quite a keepsake. Bill Joyce of the Fort Worth Stock yards also had a souvenir badge

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The Newton Harrells of Claude could rightfully be called "The Cosmopolitan Harrells", because they have traveled so much, seen so much of the world, and are willing to get out of the old familiar groove and do something new and different. Last year Harrell and Norman Moser of De Kalb chartered a boat and shipped 1400 Columbus sheep to Umnak Island in the Aleutians, west of Dutch Harbor, which is 900 miles from Anchorage and 14 days out of Seattle. The Columbus sheep have a coarse wool, recommended for this part of the world,

since it does not hold excessive moisture as would real fine wool. The animals have done well, and in May, Moser is taking 700 more up, and perhaps some cattle. Caring for the sheep on Umnak are two native Aleuts and a white couple from Oregon. This couple lives in a trailer house which was carried up by boat with the sheep, but since there are many U. S. government warehouses still standing since the war, they are used for storage, etc. Coal is plentiful and is used for fuel. There are two more sheep ranches on this particular island. Harrell and his wife went up last year and they are mighty apt to fly up there again this summer since the project is so interesting. The island has

fifty inches of rainfall a year, and grass is knee high and is rich in proteins. The Harrells and Mosers leased their range from the government. The wool is shipped out by the mail boat which runs once a month. Since there is no dust in the Aleutians the wool crop is unusually clean. Sometimes the wind howls at 130 miles an hour but the sheep do not seem to mind. They are penned during extremely bad storms and trained dogs help to corral them and to dig them out of the drifts. Weather conditions did not kill a single animal the past winter, but seven or eight sheep crowded into a culvert in an old road, and died. A volcano, Vsevidof, on the south end of the island which has been inactive for 200

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years is smoking again and could interfere with the sheep ranching business, but the Harrells and Mosers are not seriously worried. Mrs. Harrell has among her keepsakes from Umnak some Testaments which she found in the old army barracks there, left behind by United States soldiers.

Mrs. John Biggs, wife of President Biggs, and first lady of Texas ranchwomen in the Association, added charm to the gathering with her vivacious and friendly personality. As everyone knows Mrs. Biggs is a famous sculpturess in her own right, and is nationally known as Electra Waggoner Biggs. Her most outstanding work is the life-like 15-foot

equestrian statue of Will Rogers and his horse Soap Suds, in front of the Will Rogers Memorial Coliseum in Fort Worth. This work took five years to complete. At present Mrs. Biggs is doing portrait plaques of the children of San Antonio friends. Among her well known plaques and busts are works of President Eisenhower, Mary Martin, John Garner and the late Amon G. Carter.

W. B. Clark of Mexia says he's trying to get the old wornout cotton fields on his land back into grass. He has been planting native grasses and the land is already improved. He runs commercial cattle. He has ranched in the Del Rio

Country, and at one time inspected cattle in St. Louis.

Gulf Coast Angus Breeders Elect H. J. Yoakum President

H. J. YOAKUM of Hockley, Texas, was elected president of the Gulf Coast Aberdeen-Angus Association at a meeting held in connection with the recent Houston Fat Stock Show.

Other officers named were Carl Hicks of Conrad, vice-president; and Billy Casey, Katy, secretary.

Four new directors were named to the board; Douglas B. Marshall, Houston; Wayne Nelson, Beasley; Sidney Rutta, Columbus; and G. W. Drake, Houston.

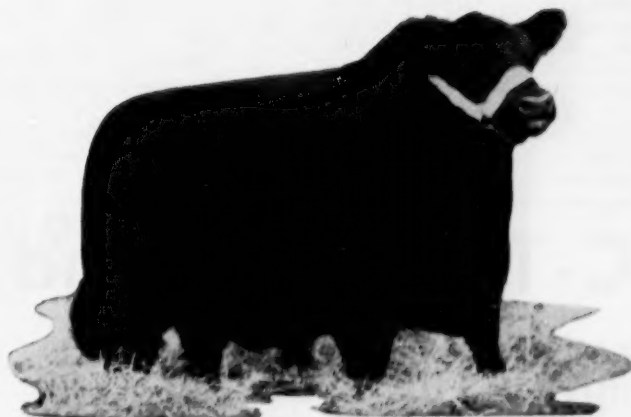
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Grand champion steer, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by James Everett, Valentine, Texas. The steer sold for \$10,000 to Bill Williams, Houston restaurant owner. Left to right: Edgar W. Brown, J. F. Pat Carley, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Williams, James Everett and Archer Romero. Cathey photo.



AN 805-POUND Hereford steer, owned by Jimmy Everett, 13, of Valentine, Texas, was named grand champion steer of the Houston Fat Stock Show and sold for \$10,000 to Bill Williams, Houston restaurant owner. It was the sixth time that Williams had bought the grand champion steer of the show. Jimmy's steer had previously been named champion of the junior show.

The reserve grand champion was an Aberdeen-Angus steer, owned by Cleo Yoder, of Muscatine, Iowa. It previously had been named champion of the open

show. It sold for \$3,000 to Edgar Brown, rancher-financier of Orange, Texas.

A total of 362 steers sold at auction for \$159,329, an average price, exclusive of the champions, of 42.5 cents per pound.

Champions in the open competition were:

Hereford, Leo Gentry, Beemer, Neb.
Aberdeen-Angus, Cleo Yoder, Muscatine, Ia.

Shorthorn, Sam Down, Wyoming, Ill.

Brahman, John S. Joyce, Iago, Texas.

Champions in the junior show were:

Hereford, James Everett, Valentine, Texas.

Aberdeen-Angus, Huntis Black, Lometa, Texas.

Shorthorn, Wiliece Kuykendall, Cherokee, Texas.

Brahman, Randy Kuykendall, Llano, Texas.

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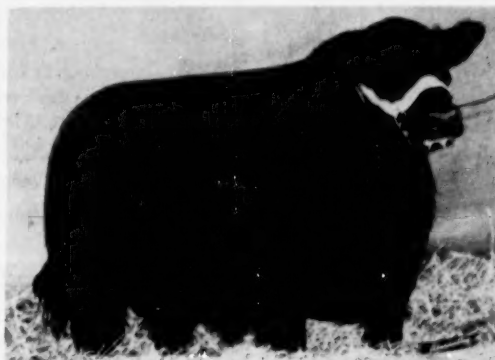
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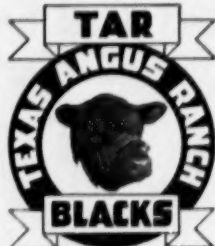
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88 Zato Heir 64, champion Hereford bull, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by Straus Medina Hereford Ranch, San Antonio. Cathey photo.

GHR Silver Zato, owned by Golden Hoof Ranch, Denton, Texas.

Diamond C Ranch, Houston, Texas, showed the champion female, 88 Zato Lady 77 and Straus Medina showed the reserve, 88 Zato Heiress 785.

Joe W. Lewis, owner of Alfalfa Lawn Farms, Larned, Kans., judged the show.

Awards to three places follow:

Two year old bulls: 1, Arrow Head Hereford Ranch, Okmulgee, Okla., on AH Prince Larry 82; 2, Diamond C Ranch, Houston, Texas, on 88 Zato Heir 14; 3, Ray A. Seedorf, Yuma, Colo., on Y Back Star 8.

Senior yearling bulls: 1, S&L Farms, Longview, Texas, on CK Crusty Onward; 2, Straus Medina Hereford Ranch, San Antonio, Texas, on 88 Zato Heir 42; 3, Northwoods Stock Farm, Fort Worth, Texas, on NW Domino Heir 24.

Junior yearling bulls: 1, Straus Medina on 88 Zato Heir 64; 2, Dudley Bros., Comanche, Texas, on 88 Zato Heir 62; 3, Diamond C on 88 Zato Heir 50.

Summer yearling bulls: 1, Northwoods on M Zato Heir T 7; 2, Clarke Hereford Ranch, Conroe, Texas, on CHR Pub. Domino 13; 3, Straus Medina on 88 Zato Heir 98.

Senior bull calves: 1, Arrow Head on AH Zato Heir 10; 2, Straus Medina on 88 Zato Heir 106; 3, Straus Medina on 88 Zato Heir 96.

Junior bull calves: 1, Golden Hoof Ranch, Denton, Texas, on GHR Zato Return 3; 2, O. H. McAllister, Rhome, Texas, on M Zato Heir 24; 3, Northwoods on NW Royal Zato 11.

Summer bull calves: 1, Golden Hoof on GHR Silver Zato; 2, Dudley Bros. on DB Apex Larry 69; 3, McAllister on M Zato Heir 33.

Champion bull: Straus Medina on 88 Zato Heir 64.



88 Zato Lady 77, champion Hereford female, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by Diamond C Ranch, Houston, Texas. Cathey photo.

Reserve champion bull: Golden Hoof on GHR Silver Zato.

Three bulls: 1, Straus Medina; 2, Golden Hoof; 3, Northwoods.

Two bulls: 1, Straus Medina; 2, Golden Hoof; 3, McAllister.

Two year old heifers: 1, Arrow Head on AH Princess Larry 27; 2, Golden Hoof on entry.

Senior yearling heifers: 1, Arrow Head on AH Miss Zato Heir 2; 2, Clarke on CHR Domino Heiress; 3, Arrow Head on AH Miss Zato Heir 3.

Junior yearling heifers: 1, Diamond C on 88 Zato Lady 77; 2, Straus Medina on 88 Zato Lady 80; 3, Clarke on Miss JJ Mixer 2.

Summer yearling heifers: 1, Straus Medina on 88 Zato Lady 102; 2, Clarke on Miss Gwen 12; 3, Straus Medina on 88 Zato Lady 101.

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Zato 23; 2, Dudley Bros., on DB Lady Royal 16; 3, Dudley Bros., on DB Lady Royal 27.

Summer heifer calves: 1, Golden Hoof on Lady Husky Zato; 2, Dudley Bros., on Zato Enchantress 62; 3, Ard E. Richardson, San Antonio, Texas, on AR 7 Miss Zato 7.

Champion female: Diamond C on 88 Zato Lady 77.

Reserve champion female: Straus Medina on 88 Zato Heiress 785.

Two females: 1, Straus Medina; 2, Dudley Bros., Golden Hoof.

Get of sire: 1, Straus Medina; 2, Golden Hoof; 3, Diamond C.

Pair of yearlings: 1, Straus Medina; 2, Diamond C; 3, Clarke.

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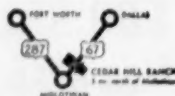
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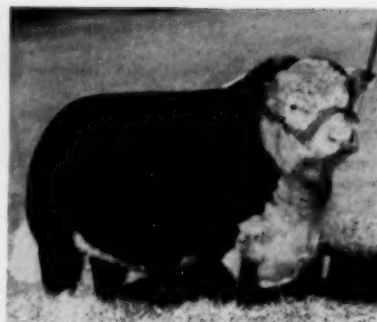
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Windsweep Victor, champion Polled Hereford bull, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by Windsweep Farms, Thomaston, Ga. Glover photo.

judged the Polled Hereford show and selected Windsweep Victor, senior bull calf, as champion bull. The reserve champion was CEK Royal Domino, a summer yearling, shown by Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Knowlton, Bellefontaine, Ohio.

The Knowltons also showed the champion female, CMR Blanche Larry 1, with reserve honors going to a Texas breeder, Hill Polled Hereford Ranch of Fairfield, on C Domino Princess 52.

Awards to three places follow:

Two-year-old bulls: 1, Hill Polled Hereford Ranch, Fairfield, Texas, on Prince C Domino 33.

Senior yearling bulls: 1, Hill on Prince C Domino 36; 2, Hill on HPHR Super Larry 40; 3, W. F. Bowman, Houston, on Anchor Domestic Mischief 48.

Junior yearling bulls: 1, N. M. Barnett, Melvin, Texas, on Domestic Anxiety 123; 2, Hill on HPHR Mellow Prince 3; 3, R. R. Woodward, Sabinal, Texas, on RRW Gold Mischief 35.

Summer yearling bulls: 1, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Knowlton, Bellefontaine, Ohio, on CEK Royal Domino; 2, Knowlton on CEK Mischief Duke; 3, Hill on HPHR Super Larry 53.

Senior bull calves: 1, Windsweep Farm, Thomaston, Ga., on Windsweep Victor; 2, Hill on C Domestic Mischief 80; 3, Woodward on RRW Gold Mischief 45.

Junior bull calves: 1, Knowlton on CEK Mischief Duke 47; 2, Hill on Prince C Domino 57; 3, Barnett on Domestic Anxiety 141.

Summer bull calves: 1, Woodward on RRW Gold Woodrow 105; 2, Woodward on RRW Gold Mischief 64; 3, Windsweep Farm on WS Victor Perfect.



CMR Blanche Larry 1, champion Polled Hereford female, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Knowlton, Bellefontaine, Ohio. Cathey photo.

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Senior yearling heifers: 1, Hill on C Domino Princess 41; 2, Windsweep Farm on BHB Col. Mischief 6.

Junior yearling heifers: 1, Knowlton on CF Duke's Princess 1; 2, Knowlton on CEK Duke's Duchess 23; 3, Hill on C Domino Princess 48.

Summer yearling heifers: 1, Knowlton on CMR Blanche Larry 1; 2, Hill on C Domino Princess 57.

Senior heifer calves: 1, Hill on O Superette 62; 2, Woodward on RRW Miss Mischief 38; 3, Windsweep Farm on WF Miss Victoria.

Junior heifer calves: 1, Knowlton on CEK Duke's Duchess 50; 2, Barnett on SD Princess Bonny; 3, Windsweep Farm on Bonny B. Princess 14.

Summer heifer calves: 1, Knowlton on CEK Duke's Duchess 57; 2, Barnett on Mischief Maker 69; 3, Hill on C Domino Princess 74.

Champion female: Knowlton on CMR Blanche Larry 1.

Reserve champion female: Hill on C Domino Princess 52.

Get of sire: 1, Knowlton; 2, Hill; 3, Knowlton.

Two females: 1, Knowlton; 2, Hill; 3, Knowlton.

Pair of yearlings: 1, Knowlton; 2, Knowlton; 3, Hill.

Pair of calves: 1, Knowlton; 2, Windsweep Farm; 3, Hill.

The Aberdeen-Angus Show

While one Texas breeder managed to win a top award in the Angus show, most of the championships went to out-state breeders. Mecom Angus Ranch, Hitchcock, Texas, showed the junior and grand champion bull, Mecom Peer; Ralph L. Smith, Chillicothe, Mo., showed the senior and reserve grand champion, Prince Peer 25 RLS; Kermac Angus Farms, Poteau, Okla., showed the reserve



Mecom Peer, champion Aberdeen-Angus bull, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by Mecom Angus Ranch, Hitchcock, Texas. Cathey photo.



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senior champion, Prince Sunbeam E 225; and CT Ranch, Miami, Okla., showed the reserve junior champion, Prince Eric 60 of CT.

Orchard Hill Farm, Enid, Okla., showed the senior and grand champion female, Black Heiress of OH; Smith showed the reserve senior and reserve grand champion, Edella of RLS 9, as well as the reserve junior champion, Empress 4 RLS; and CT Ranch showed the junior champion, Miss Queen 18 of CT.

The show was judged by Lewis B. Pierce, Woodlawn Farm, Creston, Ill.

Awards to three places follow:

Two year old bulls: 1, Kermac Angus Farms, Potomac, Okla., on Prince Sunbeam E 97; 2, WRS Angus Farm, Hutchinson, Kans., on Prince Elbe-nor of WRS 23; 3, Elitoner Angus Farms, Tipton, Ia., on Elitoner Eline 8 9.

Senior yearling bulls: 1, Ralph L. Smith, Chillicothe, Mo., on Prince Peer 25 RLS; 2, Kermac on Prince Sunbeam E 225; 3, Haystack Angus Ranch, Longmont, Colo., on Prince 12 of MR.

Junior yearling bulls: 1, Smith on Prince Peer 60 RLS; 2, Orchard Hill Farm, Enid, Okla., on Bandolier of OH 1704; 3, Angus Valley Farm, Tulsa, Okla., on Black Baron 17 of AV.

Summer yearling bulls (5-1-6-30, 1955): 1, Shady Lane Farms, Clear Lake, S.D. on Prince 895 of SL; 2, Smith on Prince Peer 62 RLS; 3, Elitoner on Elitoner 129.

Summer yearling bulls (7-1-8-31, 1955) 1, Angus Valley on Bardoliermere 7 of AV; 2, Shady Lane on Knight of Shady Lane; 3, Sunny Slope Farm, Richmond, Texas, on Eileenmere of SS 375.

Senior bull calves (9-1-10-31, 1955): 1, Mecom Angus Ranch, Hitchcock, Texas, on Mecom Peer; 2, Shady Lane on Prince 301 G of SL; 3, Sunny Slope on Eileenmere of SS 375.

Senior bull calves (after 11-1-1955): 1, CT Ranch, Miami, Okla., on Prince Eric 60 CT; 2, Mecom on Mecom Prince Eric 64; 3, Byars Royal Oaks, Tyler, Texas, on Baron of Royal Oaks.



Black Heiress of OH, champion Aberdeen-Angus female, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by Orchard Hill Farms, Enid, Okla. Cathey photo.



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Senior and reserve grand champion bull: Smith on Prince Peer 25 RLS.

Reserve senior champion bull: Kermac on Prince Sunbeam E 225.

Reserve junior champion bull: CT Ranch on Prince Eric 60 of CT.

Two year old heifers: 1, Orchard Hill on Black Heiress of OH; 2, Garrett Angus Farm, Kaufman, Texas, on Erica 18 of 4 Wynnes; 3, Marydale Farm, St. Francisville, La., on Marydale Elba 60.

Senior yearling heifers: 1, Smith on Edella of RLS 9; 2, Fooks Angus Farm, Camden, Ark., on Fooks Miss Burgess 24; 3, Gleanloch Farm, Houston, Texas, on Queen 3 of Sieteco.

Junior yearling heifers: 1, WRS on Erica of WRS 13; 2, Orchard Hill on Empress of Orchard Hill; 3, CT Ranch on Miss Barbara 7 of CT.

Summer yearling heifers (5-1-6-30, 1955): 1, CT Ranch on Miss Queen 18 of CT; 2, Smith on Empress 4 RLS; 3, WRS on Miss Blackbird WRS.

Summer yearling heifers (7-1-8-31, 1955): 1, Angus Valley on AV Blueblood Lady 5; 2, Smith on Eline 3 RLS; 3, Angus Valley on Angus Valley Ganner 4.

Senior heifer calves (9-1-10-31, 1955): 1, Angus Valley on Karama 7 of KR; 2, Kermac on Georgina 23 of Essar; 3, Cecil Ray Dobbs, Hutchinson, Kans., on WRS Edella.

Senior heifer calves (After 11-1, 1955): 1, CT Ranch on Blackcap 28 of CT; 2, Shady Lane on Anita Knight of SL; 3, Phil Lundahl, San Antonio, Texas, on Esquire's Queen LAF.

Junior heifer calves: 1, Mecom on Mecom's Erica 3; 2, Mecom on Mecom's Envia Erica; 3, Mecom on Mecom Juanerica 2.

Senior and grand champion female: Orchard Hill on Black Heiress of OH.

Reserve senior and reserve grand champion female: Smith on Edella of RLS 9.

Junior champion female: CT Ranch on Miss Queen 18 of CT.

Reserve junior champion female: Smith on Empress 4 RLS.

Get of sire: 1, Smith; 2, Mecom; 3, Kermac.

Junior get of sire: 1, Mecom; 2, Smith; 3, CT Ranch.

The Shorthorn Show

Mathers Bros., Mason City, Ill., were persaps the major winners in the Shorthorn show, showing the senior and reserve grand champion bull, Leveldale Virile; the reserve junior champion, Leveldale Pacemaker; the senior and grand champion female, Hillcroft Miss Ramsden 3, the reserve senior champion, Leveldale Rothes Queen 4 and the reserve junior champion, Leveldale Princess 8. W. C. Anderson & Son, West Liberty, Ia., showed the junior and grand champion bull, WL Consort 7 and the junior and reserve grand champion fe-



Hillcroft Miss Ramsden 3, champion Shorthorn female, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by Mathers Bros., Mason

male, WL Princess Roma 2. Scofield Ranch, Austin, Texas, showed the reserve senior champion bull, Benham's Bombardier.

Autrey H. Caraway, De Leon, Texas, made the placings.

Awards to three places follow:

Bulls calved between May 1, 1954 and Dec. 31, 1954: 1, Mathers Bros. Mason City, Ill., on Leveledale Virile; 2, Scofield Ranch, Austin, Texas, on Benham's Bombardier.

Bulls calved between Jan. 1, 1955 and April 30, 1955: 1, Scofield Ranch on Clara's Comrade; 2, Mathers Bros., on Aldie Kerbstone; 3, Mississippi State College, State College, Miss., on Maroon Air Pilot 12.

Bulls calved between May 1, 1955 and Aug. 31, 1955: 1, Scofield Ranch on Kamar Upright Ben-

ham; 2, Mathers Bros., on Leveledale Rock Wall; 3, W. C. Anderson & Son, West Liberty, Ia., on WL Ala Prince.

Bulls calved between Sept. 1, 1955 and Dec. 31, 1955: 1, Scofield Ranch on Faro's Tora Blanco; 2, W. D. Poston, Brownsville, Tenn., on Nunndale Favorite 19; 3, Mississippi State College on MSC Good News A.

Bulls calved between Jan. 1, 1956 and April 30, 1956: 1, Mathers Bros., on Leveledale Pacemaker; 2, Anderson & Son on WL Consort 3; 3, Anderson & Son on WL Consort 5.

Bull calves, calved after May 1, 1956: 1, Anderson & Son on WL Consort 7; 2, Anderson & Son on WL Consort 6; 3, Mathers Bros., on Leveledale Cameronian.

Junior and grand champion bull: Anderson & Son on WL Consort 7.

Senior and reserve grand champion bull: Mathers Bros., on Leveledale Virile.

Reserve senior champion bull: Scofield Ranch on Benham's Bombardier.

Reserve junior champion bull: Mathers Bros., on Leveledale Pacemaker.

Three bulls: 1, Mathers Bros., 2, Anderson & Son; 3, Scofield Ranch.

Two bulls: 1, Anderson & Son; 2, Mathers Bros., 3, Scofield Ranch.

Heifers calved between May 31, 1953 and April 30, 1954: 1, Mathers Bros., on Leveledale Rothes Queen 4.

Heifers calved between May 1, 1954 and Dec. 31, 1954: 1, Mathers Bros., on Hillcroft Miss Ramsden 3; 2, Scofield Ranch on Kamar Red Lavender 2; 3, Anderson & Son on WL Beauty 10.

Heifers calved between Jan. 1, 1955 and April 30, 1955: 1, Mathers Bros., on Leveledale Princess 8; 2, Anderson & Son on WL Princess Poppy 3; 3, R. E. Smith, Houston, Texas, on Lone Star Patricia.

Heifers calved between May 1, 1955 and Aug. 31, 1955: 1, Anderson & Son on WL Maxine Beauty 2; 2, Anderson & Son on WL Jasmine 2; 3, Mathers Bros., on Leveledale Bridesmaid.

Heifer calves calved between Sept. 1, 1955 and Dec. 31, 1955: 1, Mathers Bros., on Leveledale Rosewood 48; 2, Anderson & Son on Poppy



WL Consort 7, champion Shorthorn bull, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by W. C. Anderson & Son, West Liberty, Ia. Cathey photo. City, Ill. Cathey photo.

Queen; 3, Scofield Ranch on Kamar Roan Lavender 3.

Heifer calves, calved between Jan. 1, 1956 and April 30, 1956: 1, Scofield Ranch on Kamar Mysie 4; 2, Mississippi State College on MSC Collynie; 3, Mathers Bros., on Leveledale LARUFF.

Heifer calves calved after May 1, 1956: 1, Anderson & Son on WL Princess Roma 2; 2, Anderson & Son on WL Rosebud 38; 3, Mississippi State College on MSC Victoria 18.

Senior and grand champion female: Mathers Bros., on Hillcroft Miss Ramsden 3.

Junior and reserve grand champion female: Anderson & Son on WL Princess Roma 2.

Reserve senior champion female: Mathers Bros., on Leveledale Rothes Queen 4.

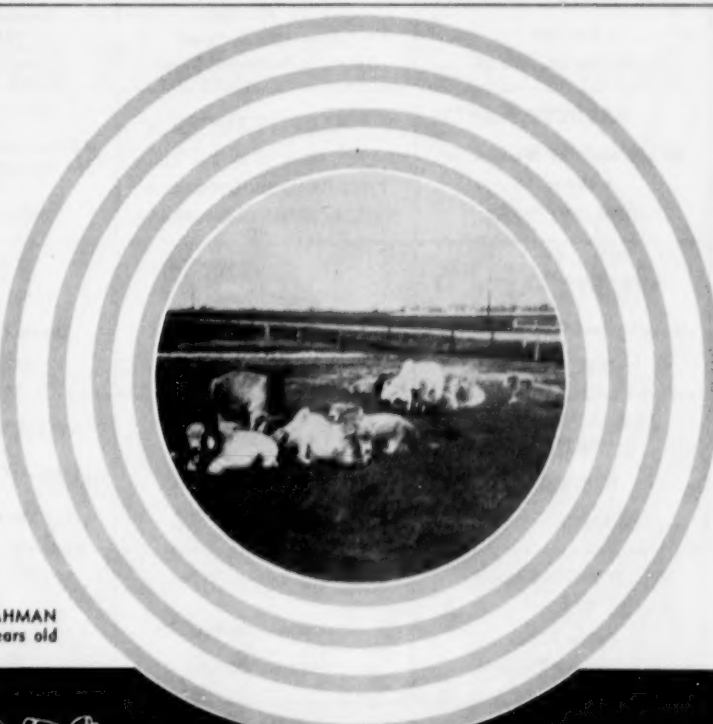
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JDH Aristocrato Manso, champion Brahman bull, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by J. D. Hudgins, Hungerford, Texas. Cathey photo.

Reserve junior champion female: Mathers Bros., on Leveldale Princess 8.

Two females: 1. Mathers Bros.; 2. Anderson & Son; 3. Scofield Ranch.

Pair of yearlings: 1. Mathers Bros.; 2. Anderson & Son; 3. Scofield Ranch.

Get of sire: 1. Anderson & Son; 2. 3. Mathers Bros.

Junior get of sire: 1. Anderson & Son; 2. Mathers Bros.; 3. Anderson & Son.

Pair of calves: 1. Anderson & Son; 2. Mathers Bros.; 3. Anderson & Son.

The Brahman Show

J. D. Hudgins, Hungerford, Texas, and J. T. Garrett, Danbury, Texas, shared the championships in the Brahman show. Hudgins showed the champion bull, JDH Aristocrato Manso and the reserve champion JDH Syler de Manso. Garrett showed the champion female, JTG Miss Resoto Manso, Jr., and the reserve champion, JTG Miss Typey Manso.

Awards to three places follow:

Aged bulls: 1. J. D. Hudgins, Hungerford, Texas, on JDH Aristocrato Manso; 2. Hudgins on JDH Resoto Rex Manso; 3. C. M. Frost, Houston, Texas, on Figure 4 Ranch.

Two year old bulls: 1. Hudgins on JDH Syler de Manso; 2. Pecan Acres, Simonton, Texas, on Jumbo 330; 3. G. L. Paret, Lake Charles, La., on Paret Ranch 71.

Senior yearling bulls: 1. Pecan Acres on 10 Jumbo 330; 2. J. T. Garrett, Danbury, Texas, on JTG Typey Manso; 3. Garrett on JTG Resoto Manso Jr.

Junior yearling bulls: 1. Pecan Acres on 14 Jumbo 330; 2. Paret on Paret Ranch 114; 3. Paret on Paret Ranch 98.

Summer yearling bulls: 1. Garrett on JTG Resoto Manso Jr.; 2. Garrett on JTG Resoto Manso 112; 3. Albert B. Fay, Houston, Texas, on ABF Catfish Manso.

Senior bull calves: 1. Hudgins on JDH Jake



JTG Miss Resoto Manso, Jr., champion Brahman female, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by J. T. Garrett, Danbury, Texas. Cathey photo.

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Mangum Manso; 2, Pecan Acres on 5 Jumbo Figure 4 #26; 3, Koontz Ranch, Inex, Texas, on HCK Dixie Pride.

Junior bull calves: 1, Hudgins on JDH Sir Minton Manso; 2, Kenneth Trozell, Baytown, Texas, on JBS Permar; 3, Paret on Paret Ranch 132.

Summer bull calves: 1, Hudgins on JDH Bano Gar Manso; 2, Garrett on JTG Resoto Manso Jr.; 3, Koontz Ranch on HCK Suva The Great.

Champion bull: Hudgins on JDH Aristocrato Manso.

Reserve champion bull: Hudgins on JDH Syler de Manso.

Two Bulls: 1, Hudgins; 2, Pecan Acres; 3, Garrett.

Aged cows: 1, Garrett on JTG Miss Resoto Manso Jr. 236; 2, Hudgins on JDH Lady Premium Manso 380; 3, Hudgins on JDH Lady Rex Manso 564.

Two year old heifers: 1, Garrett on JTG Miss Typey Manso 270; 2, Hudgins on JDH Miss Rex A Manso 617/6.

Senior yearling heifers: 1, Hudgins on JDH Lady Bano Manso 820; 2, Pecan Acres on Miss Jumbo 992.

Junior yearling heifers: 1, Hudgins on JDH Lady Bano Manso 831; 2, Garrett on JTG Miss Resoto Manso Jr. 112; 3, Paret on Miss Paret Ranch 103.

Summer yearling heifers: 1, Pecan Acres on Miss Jumbo 947; 2, Fay on ABF Miss Chunko Manso 93; 3, Garrett on JTG Miss Resoto Manso Jr. 319.

Senior heifer calves: 1, Koontz Ranch on HCK Miss Suva Hopkins; 2, C. M. Frost on Miss Figure 4 Ranch 415.

Junior heifer calves: 1, Hudgins on JDH Lady Jake Manso 77; 2, Pecan Acres on Miss Jumbo 211; 3, Koontz Ranch on HCK Miss Lady Champ.

Summer heifer calves: 1, Hudgins on JDH Lady Oka Manso 158; 2, Koontz Ranch on HCK Miss White Cagique; 3, Garrett on JTG Miss Marshall de Manso 381.

Champion female: Garrett on JTG Miss Resoto Manso Jr.

Reserve champion female: Garrett on JTG Miss Typey Manso.

Two females: 1, Garrett; 2, Hudgins; 3, Hudgins.

Pair of yearlings: 1, Hudgins; 2, Pecan Acres; 3, Hudgins.

Pair of calves: 1&2, Hudgins; 3, Pecan Acres.

Produce of dam: 1, Hudgins; 2, Garrett; 3, Paret.

Get of sire: 1, Hudgins; 2, Garrett; 3, Pecan Acres.

The Brangus Show

The Brangus show was a two-sided battle between Raymond Pope, Vinita, Okla., and Clear Creek Ranch, Oklahoma City, Okla. The show was judged by J. K. Riggs, Texas A&M College.

Pope showed the champion bull, Clear View King Tut and Clear Creek showed the reserve champion bull, Bluestem Zero 628, the champion female, Miss Bluestem



Clear View King Tut, champion Brangus bull, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by Raymond Pope, Vinita, Okla. Cathey photo.

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Miss Bluestem CCR 3, champion Brangus female, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by Clear Creek Ranch, Oklahoma City, Okla. Cathey photo.

CCR 3 and the reserve champion female, Miss Clear Creek Shortcut 400.

Awards to three places follow:

Aged bulls: 1, Raymond Pope, Vinita, Okla., on Clear View King Tut; 2, Clear Creek Ranch, Oklahoma City, Okla. on Bluestem Zero 628.

Two year old bulls: 1, Clear Creek on Clear Creek Oscar 100.

Junior yearling bulls: 1, Clear Creek on Clear Creek Getze 3; 2, Pope on Clear View Basil.

Junior bull calves: 1, Clear Creek on CC Sir Perior 101.

Summer bull calves: 1, Clear Creek on CC Black Gold 100; 2, Clear Creek on CC Zero Get 102; 3, Pope on Clear View Ben.

Champion bull: Clear View on Clear View King Tut.

Reserve champion bull: Clear Creek on Bluestem Zero 628.

Two bulls: 1, &2, Clear Creek; 3, Pope.

Aged cows: 1, Clear Creek on Miss Bluestem CCR III; 2, Clear Creek on Clear Creek Princess 300.

Two year old cows: 1, Clear Creek on Miss Clear Creek Shortcut 400; 2, Clear Creek on Clear Creek Laura Kay 91.

Junior yearling heifers: 1, Pope on Miss Clear View Belinda; 2, Pope on Clear View Barbara; 3, Clear Creek on Miss CCR Craig 94.

Summer yearling heifers: 1, Clear Creek on Miss CCR Bobby 145; 2, Pope on Miss Clear View Bliss.

Junior heifer calves: 1, Clear Creek on Miss CC Zero Get 772; 2, Pope on Miss Clear View Byrd.

Summer heifer calves: 1, Pope on Miss Clear View Baby; 2, Clear Creek on Miss CC Bobby 60; 3, Pope on Miss Clear View Bridie.

Champion female: Clear Creek on Miss Bluestem CCR 3.

Reserve champion female: Clear Creek on Miss Clear Creek Shortcut 400.

Two females: 1&2, Clear Creek; 3, Pope.

Get of sire: 1, Clear Creek; 2, Pope; 3, Clear Creek.

The Charbray Show

Robert C. Myres, Houston, showed the champion bull in the Charbray show, Lucky 157, as well as the reserve champion female, Miss Paper Doll 169. Rue Ranch, Houston, showed the reserve champion bull, King Rue 610 and Hill Top Ranch, Hockley, Texas, showed the champion female, Miss Hilltop 18.

S. E. McCraine, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, La., judged the show.

Awards to three places follow:

Bulls calved on or before Dec. 31, 1954: 1, Robert C. Myres, Houston, Texas, on Lucky 157; 2, Kenneth C. Miller, Tyler, Texas, on Calman Ran-



Miss Hilltop 18, champion Charbray female, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by Hilltop Ranch, Hockley, Texas. Cathey photo.

chero 90/2; 3, Sid V. Smith, Hempstead, Texas, on Buster 838.

Bulls calved between Jan. 1, 1955 and Dec. 31, 1955: 1, Rue Ranch, Houston, Texas, on King Rue 610; 2, Myres on Duke's Prince 18; 3, C. M. Frost, Houston, Texas, on Figure 4 Ranch 517.

Bulls calved on or after Jan. 1, 1956: 1, Spring Mountain Ranch, Meridian, Texas, on SMR Major; 2, Spring Mountain Ranch on SMR Mexico.

Champion bull: Myres on Lucky 157.

Reserve champion bull: Rue Ranch on King Rue 610.

Females calved on or before Dec. 31, 1954: 1, Hilltop Ranch, Hockley, Texas, on Miss Hilltop 18; 2, Myres on Miss Paper Doll 160; 3, Myres on Miss Mae West.

Females calved between Jan. 1, 1955 and Dec. 31, 1955: 1, Myres on Miss Quinta 173; 2, Frost on Miss Figure 4 Ranch 507; 3, Lazy L Ranch, Bandera, Texas, on Miss Cora 435.

Females calved on or after Jan. 1, 1956: 1, Miller on Maria 1; 2, Hilltop Ranch on Miss Hilltop



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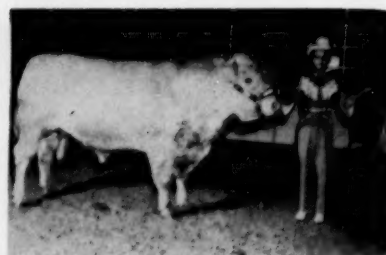
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Lucky 157, champion Charbray bull, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by Robert C. Myres, Houston. Cathey photo.

31; 3, Circle JE Ranch, Hempstead, Texas, on White Statue.

Champion female: Hilltop Ranch on Miss Hilltop 18.

Reserve champion female: Myres on Miss Paper Doll 169.

Get of sire: 1, Spring Mountain Ranch.

The Charollaise Show

A. M. Askew, Houston, showed both champions in the Charollaise show. Sir Launcelot PH 400 was champion bull and Miss Lee 816 was champion female. Michaelis Ranch, Kyle, Texas, showed the reserve champion bull, Ned M255 and Spring Mountain Ranch, Meridian, Texas, showed the reserve champion female, Jane.

Awards to three places follow:

Bulls calved on or before Dec. 31, 1954: 1, A. M. Askew, Houston, Texas, on Sir Launcelot PH 400; 2, Earl Thomas, Raymondville, Texas, on White 270; 3, C. M. Frost, Houston, Texas, on Figure 4 Ranch #3.

Bulls calved between Jan. 1, 1955 and Dec. 31, 1955: 1, John E. Frost, Weslaco, Texas, on Wee 591; 2, Michaelis Ranch, Kyle, Texas, on Ned M255; 3, HD Ranch, Alvord, Texas, on Blanco Joe.

Bulls calved on or after Jan. 1, 1956: 1, Michaelis Ranch on Geronimo; 2, Michaelis Ranch on Maestro; 3, C. M. Frost on Mister Figure 4.

Champion bull: Askew on Sir Launcelot PH 400.

Reserve champion bull: Michaelis Ranch on Ned M255.

Females calved on or before Dec. 31, 1954: 1, Askew on Miss Lee 816; 2, Ralph W. Hutchins, Raymondville, Texas, on Miss Kenedy 187; 3, Rue Ranch, on Queen Rue 424.

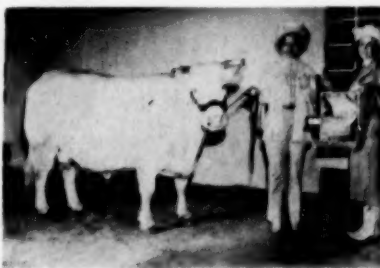
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Females calved on or after Jan. 1, 1956: 1, Rue Ranch on Queen Rue 617; 2, Rue Ranch on Queen Rue 618; 3, Askew on Marilyn.

Champion female: Askew on Miss Lee 816.

Reserve champion female: Spring Mountain Ranch on Jane.

Get of sire: 1, Michaelis Ranch; 2&3, Askew.



Miss Lee, champion Charollaise female, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by A. M. Askew, Houston. Cathey photo.

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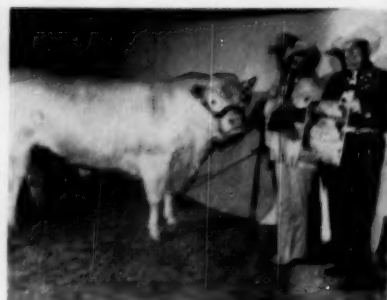
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The Santa Gertrudis Show

L. A. Nordan, San Antonio, Texas, showed both champions in the Santa Gertrudis show. Duke was champion bull and Rosita was champion female. R. E. Smith, Houston, showed the reserve champion bull, Sioux Chief, and Nordan showed the reserve champion female, Gata.

Awards to three places follow:

Aged bulls: 1, R. E. Smith, Houston, Texas, on Sioux Chief, blue ribbon.

Two year old bulls: 1, L. A. Nordan, San Antonio, Texas, on Duke, blue; 2, H. U. Garrett, Longview, Texas, on Lucky, white.

Junior yearling bulls: 1, Smith on Pow-Wow, red; 2, Smith on Manhattan, red; 3, Smith on Cheyenne Warrior, white.

Summer yearling bulls: 1, Michael Estess, Houston, on Bayou Prince, white.

Senior bull calves: 1, Garrett on Tattoo Red, white.

Junior bull calves: 1, Nordan on Colonel, white; 2, Nordan on Snuffy, white.

Champion bull: Nordan on Duke.

Reserve champion bull: Smith on Sioux Chief.

Two bulls: 1, Smith, red; 2, Nordan, red.

Two year old heifers: 1, Nordan on Gata, blue; 2, T. N. Mauritz & Son, Ganado, Texas, on Scarlet, blue.

Senior yearling heifers: 1, Nordan on Rosita, blue; 2, Tom and Ray Cowart, Henderson, Texas, on Conchita, blue; 3, Mauritz & Son on Bonnie, red.

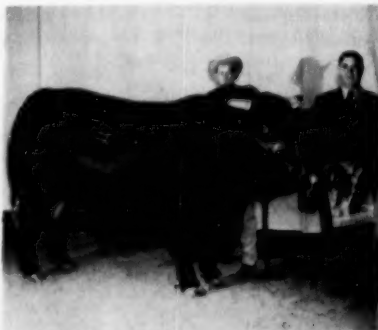
Junior yearling heifers: 1, Nordan on Cheeta, red; 2, Mauritz & Son on Gypsy, red.

Senior heifer calves: 1, Smith on Cheyenne Princess, red; 2, Smith on Indian Princess, red; 3, Garrett on Miss Society Red, white.

Junior heifer calves: 1, Garrett on Miss Levito, red; 2, Nordan on Bonnie, red; 3, Mauritz & Son on Copper, red.

Champion female: Nordan on Rosita.

Reserve champion female: Nordan on Gata.



Duke, champion Santa Gertrudis bull, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by L. A. Nordan, San Antonio. Cathey photo.

Two females: 1, Nordan, blue; 2, Mauritz & Son, blue; 3, Smith, Red.

Pair of yearlings: 1, Michael Estess, white.

Pair of calves: 1, Garrett, red; 2, Nordan, red.

Santa Gertrudis Present Good Show at Baton Rouge

BREEDING animals from the states of Florida, Arkansas and Mississippi took top honors in the Santa Gertrudis division of the annual L. S. U. Livestock Show at Baton Rouge, March 4.

Showing in competition for the first time, Winrock Farm of Morrilton, Ark., owned by Winthrop Rockefeller, had the grand champion Santa Gertrudis female in Valentine, an outstanding junior yearling heifer.

Palmer Ranch of Sarasota, Fla., had the grand champion bull in Mr. Kentucky, a 2,000-pound senior yearling. Condesa, a two-year-old heifer from the Palmer show string, was named reserve champion female.



Valentine, champion Santa Gertrudis female at the L. S. U. Livestock Show, Baton Rouge, owned by Winrock Farm, Morrilton, Ark. From left to right are Theo Robertson, Winthrop Rockefeller, Miss Sandy Higgins, Sidney J. McCrory and G. W. Adkisson.

Ruri-Mar Ranch, Lucedale, Miss., showed the reserve champion bull, Cincinnati Red No. 134.

Judge of the show was L. J. Christian of Ganado, Texas.

Immediately following the judging of the breeding animals, a Santa Gertrudis judging school was held in the show arena, moderated by Christian and R. P. Marshall, executive secretary of Santa Gertrudis Breeders International at Kingsville, Texas.

Such schools are held periodically for the purpose of keeping Santa Gertrudis judges abreast of the standard of excellence for the breed, informing prospective judges of the standard and helping the general public become more fully acquainted with the breed. About 150 persons attended the judging school.

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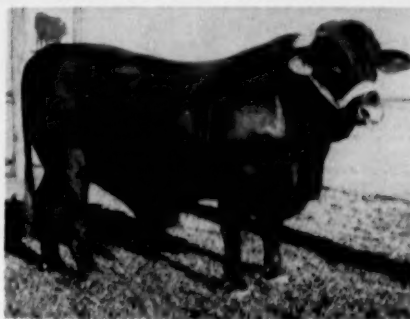
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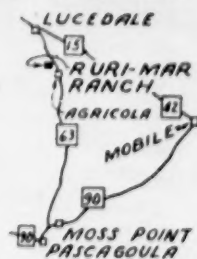
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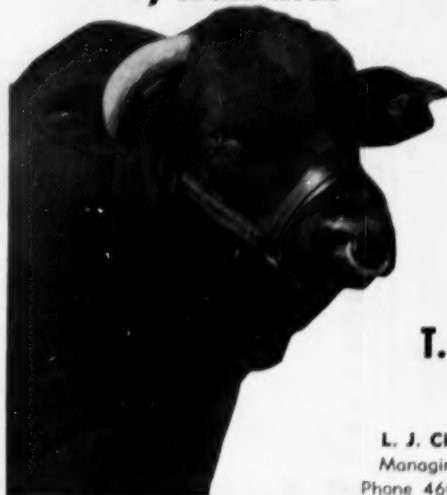
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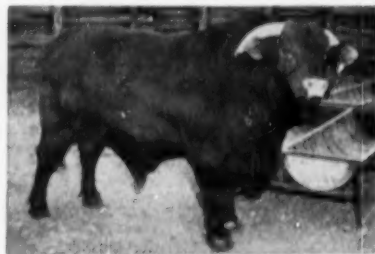
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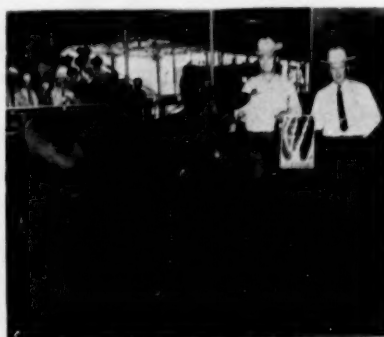
Santa Gertrudis Show and Sale at Mercedes

BREEDING animals from the ranches of Russell Cherry of Raymondville, Texas, and Hopper Bros. of Falfurrias, Texas, took grand champion honors in the first competitive showing of Santa Gertrudis in the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show held at Mercedes, Texas, March 14.

Bolivar, a 2,400 pound aged bull owned and shown by Cherry was named grand champion bull by the judge, Les Brandes, agricultural agent from Alice, Texas, while Rosa, an outstanding senior heifer calf owned and shown by Hopper Bros., was awarded the grand champion female banner.

King Taurus, 1,825-pound senior yearling owned by Frank Yturria of Brownsville, was named reserve champion bull, while a senior heifer calf from the ranch of Bentsen Development Company at Mission, No. 264/5, took the reserve champion female banner.

Following the judging, the first annual Rio Grande Valley Santa Gertrudis Association sale was held in the arena with 14 bulls and heifers selling for a total of \$11,160, averaging \$797. Eight bulls brought \$7,335 for an average of \$917, and six females sold for \$3,825 averaging \$637.



Rosa, champion Santa Gertrudis female at the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show, Mercedes, Texas, owned by Hopper Brothers, Falfurrias, Texas. Shown are Dick Hopper and Frank Leigh, Kingsville, Texas.

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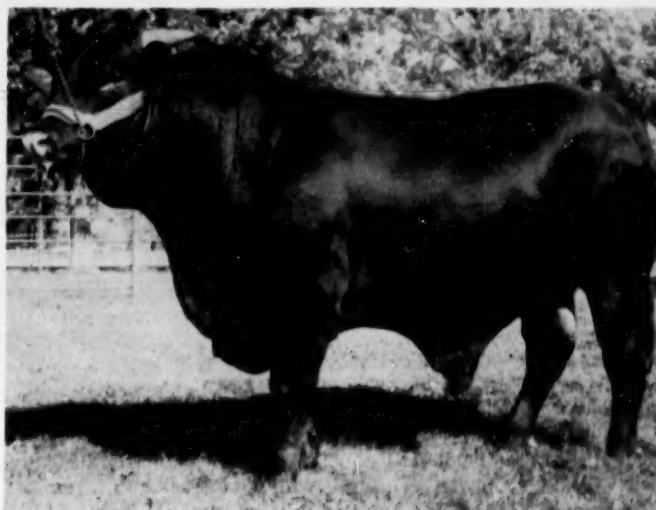
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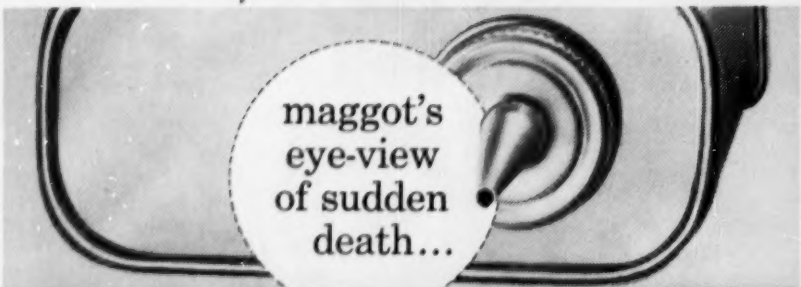
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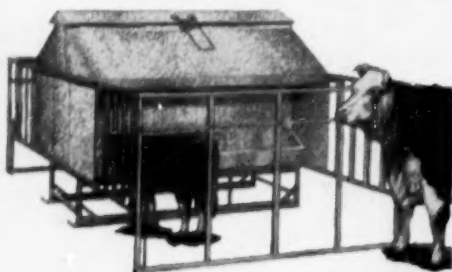
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Bolivar, champion Santa Gertrudis bull of the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show, Mercedes, Texas, owned by Russell Cherry, Raymondville, Texas. From left to right are Miss Nancy Archer, the show's cover girl; Russell Cherry and Lupe Garcia, herdsman.

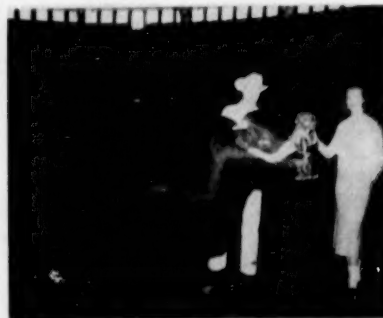
Top selling bull was consigned by Frank Yturria of Brownsville and was bought by Chester McCombs of Los Fresnos, Texas, for \$2,350. Yturria also consigned the top selling female, which too was bought by McCombs, for \$1,000.

SGBI Membership Meeting In San Antonio April 11

SEVERAL hundred breeders from throughout the United States, Mexico, South and Central America are expected in San Antonio, Texas, April 11 and 12 for the sixth annual membership meeting of Santa Gertrudis Breeders International.

To be held in the Hilton Hotel, the meeting will feature Robert J. Kleberg, Jr., president of the King Ranch, as principal speaker. Kleberg, who was instrumental in the development of the Santa Gertrudis beef animal, will speak on "The Santa Gertrudis Breed, Past, Present and Future."

R. W. Briggs of San Antonio, Texas, SGBI president, said he is expecting the largest attendance yet at the annual meeting. SGBI currently has members in 27 states and 10 foreign countries.



Mr. Kentucky, champion Santa Gertrudis bull at the L. S. U. Livestock Show, owned by Palmer Ranch, Sarasota, Florida. Shown are Deedee Faltin of Palmer Ranch and Miss Diann Christian of Gulfport, Miss.

CHUCKWAGON

By CHARLIE, the cook

A LETTER from Jimmie Richards of Fort Worth presents us with something of a puzzler in the matter of meeting a request for a certain recipe, and we'd like to ask if any other readers can rally 'round with a clue to a lost prescription.

"Many years ago (says the Richards letter) I was fortunate enough to enjoy a wonderful and unique dish and since then have tried to acquire the recipe but to no avail. I will describe the preparation as nearly as I can. It was made from ground lean raw beef, then mixed with other ingredients such as peppers (both hot and bell), onions, garlic, lemon juice, pickles, black pepper, salt, etc. Then the mixture is placed in a crock and allowed to set for a day or so, to turn white in color before it is served. It is never actually cooked by any heat, but doesn't taste raw at all. It is the most delicious dish I've ever eaten."

* * *

Our research section has failed to come up with anything exactly similar to the formula described above, but we've an idea it is one of the many variations of Beef Tartare, of which a dozen or more have been in general use for many years.

And one of the best in this respect, in our opinion, is the Beef Tartare reported by Mrs. M. F. K. Fisher in her latest printing (1954) of that outstanding gastronomical book "The Art of Eating."

M. F. K. Fisher (whose works, incidentally, should be on the top row in any kitchen library) describes her particular Tartare like this:

"This somewhat barbaric dish is best with crisp bread and a glass of fairly plain red wine. It is quickly digested and leaves a pleasant feeling on the palate, if you can swallow it at all, which some people would rather starve than do."

Here's the recipe, which is right nice when carried out:

INGREDIENTS: One-fourth pound beef per person (or more); one egg per person; lemon juice, olive oil, parsley, chives, basil, any herbs; salt and pepper.

METHOD: Remove all fat from the meat and grind rather coarse. Form lightly into mounds or pats, one for each person, and make a little dent on the top. Break the eggs carefully, saving the whites for another purpose, and put a yolk in a half-shell in the dent on each pat. Chop the herbs separately and put into little bowls. Serve the olive oil in a cruet. Garnish the meat with lemon quarters, and other things like little pickled onions and chopped dill pickles may be added to the serving tray.

To eat, put the egg yolk into the dent, cover the whole with whatever herbs are desired, then add olive oil, lemon juice and seasoning of salt and pepper.

Anybody got any suggestions that



"Kinda flatterin' to see something FIGHTIN' over your cookin' ain't it?"

would be nearer to the recipe outlined in the Jimmie Richards letter?

* * *

B. Kriegel of RFD 2, Wharton, Texas, a Cattleman reader of many years, comes now with a request for a good method for fixin' a venison roast. There are a lot of good ones, but we favor this formula for tenderizing the meat and mulling down the wild taste:

INGREDIENTS: Three pounds of venison; three slices of salt pork; salt, pepper, flour; one-fourth cup fat; one-fourth cup hot water; one-half tablespoon vinegar; one-half cup chopped celery; one diced carrot; one tart apple, chopped; one-half tablespoon lemon juice.

METHOD: Lard the venison with the salt pork and rub with salt, pepper and flour. Saute in hot fat until well browned, turning frequently. Add hot water and vinegar. Cover closely and cook until tender, about two to two and a half hours, adding more water as it evaporates. Half an hour before meat is done add remaining ingredients and cook until vegetables are tender.

NOTE: For a roast leg of venison: Wipe leg, sprinkle with salt and pepper and dredge with flour. Lard with strips of salt pork unless meat is fat. Roast uncovered in a slow 350-degree oven on the basis of 20 to 22 minutes per pound.

NOTE NO. 2: Never fry venison steaks; broil 'em.

NICE DEAL: Place a large T-bone or sirloin steak on broiler pan and spread with butter. Season well with salt and pepper. Broil for seven minutes to a side. Just before the steak is to be served spread the following sauce atop the meat: Cream half a pound of Blue Cheese and add enough chili sauce to make a thick paste. Season with Worcestershire sauce, then place under the broiler for five minutes. Garnish with chopped chives or tender green onions, chopped.

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G. William Felton

G. W. (Will) Felton, early day cowboy and rancher, died recently at his home near Great Forest, Ark., at the age of 75. Felton was born in Strawn, Texas, and spent most of his life ranching in West Texas and New Mexico. He is survived by his widow; a daughter, Mrs. W. D. Holley, Fort Collins, Colo.; two grandchildren, Felton and Ann Holley; a sister, Mrs. Emma Davis, Great Forest; a half sister, Mrs. Julia Stuart, Strawn, Texas; a half brother, Henry Record, Monument, N. M., and a number of nieces and nephews.

William Joseph Brower

William Joseph Brower, 84, founder of the Brower Manufacturing Co., Quincy, Illinois, died March 14 in a Quincy hospital. Brower founded the company in 1922 and under his direction the organization has become the source of the world's largest line of poultry and livestock equipment, doing business on a world-wide scale. He was active in the management of the company until the time of his death.

Earl C. Fleming

Earl C. Fleming, ranch owner and cattleman of Emporia, Kans., died recently of a heart ailment at the age of 70. Fleming had a wide acquaintance among cattlemen in the Flint Hills area and the Southwest and was regarded as an authority on cattle and grasses. His

ranch holdings included large acreages in Chase county where he currently had more than 300 cattle on feed. His father, the late "Cap" Fleming, once operated a ranch near Admire, Kans. Fleming never married and left no immediate survivors aside from several cousins and nieces.

Mrs. Houghton Brownlee

Mrs. Houghton Brownlee, 65, wife of a former state senator and prominent Brahman cattle breeder, died at Burnet, Texas March 7. Mrs. Brownlee until about 10 years ago lived in Austin and was active in many community welfare and civic projects in the capital city. She and her husband retired to their ranch in Burnet 12 years ago. Surviving besides her husband are two sons, Houghton Brownlee, Jr., Austin, an assistant attorney general and Curtis Brownlee, Oklahoma City, Okla.; two daughters, Mrs. Thad Hutcheson, Houston and Mrs. N. M. Barker, Frankfurt, Germany, a brother, Charles Curtis and two sisters, Mrs. J. Baylor Bell, Corpus Christi, and Mrs. Charles C. Womack, Houston.

Elmore H. Dodson

Elmore H. Dodson, 92, founder of the town of Dodson, Texas, died in his home there February 23. He had lived in the Panhandle of Texas since 1884. A native of Tennessee, Dodson came to the Panhandle from Mansfield, Texas, working for the JA, Diamond Tail, Mill Iron and Scab 8 ranches before settling in Collingsworth county, in 1894. He helped drive two trail herds to Montana. In 1910 he gave land for the Dodson townsite and later was instrumental in getting the M-K-T Railroad to build through the town. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, Mrs. X. R. Hyde and Mrs. George McCullough, both of Fort Worth, and a son, Murray Dodson of Dodson.



Shown attending the Highland Hereford Breeders sale at Marfa recently are left to right, Bert Reyes, fieldman for the Texas Hereford Association; Jack Turner of Fort Worth, who judged the sale cattle; Bill Wright, Fort Worth, fieldman for the American Hereford Association; Gail Dudley, Hereford breeder from Comanche; Jose Royo and Feliciano Baca, cattlemen from the state of Chihuahua, Mexico; Allen Turner of Fort Worth; O. R. Peterson, Fort Worth, and Chas. Neblett, Jr., Hereford breeder from Stephenville. After the sale the group made a trip to Mexico visiting cattlemen in that country. Baca purchased 15 bulls at the sale and Royo recently purchased a number of Hereford bulls from breeders in the Texas Panhandle.

Texas Livestock Marketing Association Holds Meeting

THE Texas Livestock Marketing Association held its 27th annual meeting in Fort Worth March 9 with a feeling of optimism prevailing due to recent rains that at least temporarily halted the drouth and encouraged the growth of early spring vegetation. While most of the cattlemen assembled were appreciative of what moisture had fallen thus far, there was some concern over the prospect of a plentiful supply of stock water, especially during the summer months.

The following officers were named: Jay Taylor, Amarillo, president; H. L. Kokernot, Jr., Alpine, first vice president; Lafayette Ward, San Antonio, second vice president; J. W. Mitchell, Fort Worth, executive vice president and secretary; Weaver Clements, Fort Worth, treasurer.

The Directors for the coming year are: John M. Bennett, Jr., San Antonio; Robert C. Cage, Eagle Pass; Walter Cardwell, Luling; Ben Carpenter, Dallas; Woods Christian, Mission; H. Mason Crocker, Brady; Jim Donnell, Fowlerton; Cameron Duncan, Freer; Robert C. East, Hebronville; Worth Evans, Fort Davis; L. L. Farr, Jr., San Angelo; Horace K. Fawcett, Del Rio; F. W. Fischer, Gainesville; J. M. Fisher, Langtry; Joe Finley, Encinal; H. A. Fitzsimons, Jr., San Antonio; A. E. Gates, Laredo; W. H. Green, Jr., Albany; J. E. Henderson, Eden; V.

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Fred Ferrell, Jr., Again Heads Oklahoma Hereford Breeders

FRED FERRELL, JR., Elgin, was elected president of the Oklahoma Hereford Breeders Association at its annual meeting held in Oklahoma City last month. Charles Vanderwork, Waukomis, was elected vice-president, replacing Francis Hill, Grove.

The following were elected directors: Bruce DeWitt, Watova; Skip Healey, Davis; and J. R. Martin, Chickasha. Retiring board members are T. R. McCalla, Chickasha, and Ted Warkentin, Lawton.

Reelected board members include Jack Hall, Oklahoma City; and Ralph Chain, Canton. Hold-over board members are

Jim McClelland, Sulphur; W. C. Tisdell, Clinton; and Al Kavanaugh, Oklahoma City.

The group decided to hold another bull sale at Fort Reno next year.

National Western to Classify Junior Steers on Age Basis

STEER classifications in the junior division of the 1958 National Western Stock Show will be on an age basis instead of by weight as they have been in the past, according to General Manager Willard Simms.

This change will be made as result of a Junior Show Committee meeting of the National Western recently when it was voted to follow the new practice. Classifications by ages will be the same as in the open steer show.

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Fredericksburg FFA Boy Shows Champion Steer at San Angelo

CLARENCE BECKMAN, 19, Fredericksburg FFA boy, showed the grand champion steer at the San Angelo Fat Stock show. The steer sold at auction on a bid of \$1,000, made by three San Angelo banks. In addition Beckman received the market price of the animal, which made a total of \$1,195.65. The steer, a Hereford, weighed 910 pounds. It was bred by Fair Oaks Ranch, Boerne, Texas.

The reserve grand champion, an Aberdeen-Angus exhibited by Layton Black, Lometa FFA member, sold for \$500, pooled by the three banks, plus the market price of the animal, making a total of \$702.10. It was bred by H. L. Shelton, Hempstead, Texas.

The auction this year was a departure from the usual policy of the show in which civic enterprises offered premiums for prize winning stock and the remainder of the prize monies coming from sale of the stock on a commercial basis. Ten calves, 48 lambs and two pens of broilers sold for nearly \$27,000.

The reserve champion Hereford steer was shown by Hugh Campbell III, of Ballinger, Texas, and the reserve champion Angus was shown by Eugene Duren, of Mullin, Texas.

Eleven heifers were shown in the junior registered Hereford heifer division which was sponsored by the Concho

Hereford Association. J Real Lady, owned by John C. Reagor of Llano was named champion. Reagor is the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Reagor of Llano.

M. H. Kurtz & Sons, Winters, Texas, were the big winners in the Aberdeen-Angus breeding show. They showed the grand champion bull, Kurtz Revolution 34; the champion female, Mina of Boghead; and the reserve champion female, Mona of KAF. Gus Steiner, Abilene, Texas, showed the reserve champion bull, Bardolier of LG. W. T. Berry, of Texas A & M College, judged the show.

Texas Polled Hereford Sale

SUMMARY			
46 Bulls	\$ 9,942.50; Avg.	\$216	
28 Females	7,677.50; Avg.	253	
74 Head	17,620.00; Avg.	230	

THE annual Texas Polled Hereford Association Show and Sale were held at Marshall, Texas, on March 12 and 13, with a good number of cattle exhibited in the show. The sale offering included several of the better kind. Prices were somewhat weaker than other sales held in this area the past few weeks, with comparable quality and buyers should find their purchases reasonable investments.

Top of the sale was \$1,500, paid for the champion sale female and reserve champion of the show. She was a January 1956 daughter of Bonny B Domino 1st, consigned by Joe and Joe Dan Weedon, Grosvonor, Texas.

Top selling bull was the reserve cham-

pion sale bull consigned by R. R. Woodward, Sabinal, Texas. He was a January 1955 son of OK Gold Mine 12th and went to T. M. Armstrong, Gladewater, Texas, for \$675.

Second top selling bull was a May 1955 son of GJ Advanced Victor, consigned by W. B. Hamilton, Wichita Falls, Texas. He sold to E. H. Brown, Humble, Texas, for \$600.

Second top selling female was the reserve champion sale female consigned by N. M. Barnett, Melvin, Texas. She was an October 1955 daughter of Domestic Anxiety 111th and sold to R. R. Woodward, Sabinal, Texas, for \$500.

Walter Britten was the auctioneer.

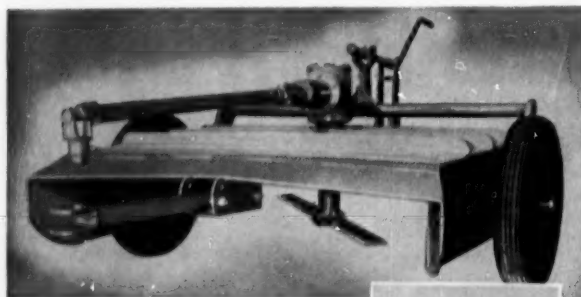
CK Ranch Herefords Go to Eight States

SUMMARY			
46 Bulls	\$40,805; Avg.	\$888	
14 Females	5,795; Avg.	414	
60 Head	46,600; Avg.	777	

ANOTHER good offering of Herefords was presented to breeders from eight states who were on hand for the CK Ranch Sale near Brookville, Kans., on Monday, March 4.

Top of the sale was a March 1955 son of TR Zato Heir 40th, out of a daughter of CK Crusty 9th. This good prospect went to F. E. and Artice Wentworth, Mills, Nebr., for \$3,200. This firm also purchased another son of "the 40th" for \$1,500.

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of CK Crusty 113th, out of a daughter of Battle Intense. He sold for \$2,525 to Herbert Ramsey, Hutchinson, Kans.

Rentie Hamilton, Texhoma, Okla., selected a May 1955 son of TR Zato Heir 40th, out of a daughter of CK Advance Onward 2nd, for \$2,100. He was the third top of the sale.

Top of the female sale was a daughter of CK Crusty 72nd, carrying the service of TR Zato Heir 40th. She went to Wedman Bros., Danville, Kans., for \$600.

The offering went to buyers from Texas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Nebraska, Iowa, New York, Montana and Kansas.

Gene Watson was the auctioneer.

Hill Polled Hereford Ranch Annual Production Sale

SUMMARY			
27 Bulls	\$11,815; Avg.	\$438	
33 Females	9,880; Avg.	299	
60 Head	21,695; Avg.	362	

THE annual production sale of Hill Polled Hereford Ranch was held on March 6 on the ranch at Fairfield, Texas, with a large crowd on hand to find a very useful group of Polled Herefords offered.

Top of the sale was a May 1954 son of H Domino A 19th that was from the Hill show herd. He sold to George M. Cooper, Perryton, Texas, for \$1,000.

Second top of the sale was a January 1956 son of H Domino A 19th. This young prospect went to Ray Windlin, Mexia, Texas, for \$800.

A son of CMR Larry Domino 55th was next top of the sale. He went to Mrs. W. F. Stiles, Teague, Texas, for \$615.

Top of the female sale was a January 1955 daughter of HPHR Super Larry 6th, selling bred to Old Gold. She went to Q. A. Hargis, Alexandria, La., for \$405.

Three females sold for \$400, the next top of the female prices. They went to Charles Tabor, Hillsboro, Texas; Milton Hathorne, Wells, Texas and to Mr. Hargis.

Walter Britten was the auctioneer.

Highland Hereford Bull Sale

SUMMARY			
13 Single Bulls	\$ 5,280; Avg.	\$407	
47 Pen Bulls	13,650; Avg.	290	
60 Head	18,930; Avg.	316	

THE 60 HEAD of bulls consigned by members of the Highland Hereford Association sold at Marfa, Texas, March 11, for an average of \$316. Many of the bulls were not of breeding age and were not in show condition. Jack Turner of Fort Worth judged the cattle for sale order.

Top-selling bull of the sale was HR Zato Heir 12th, a coming two-year-old consigned by Roy R. Largent & Sons, Alpine, Texas. He sold to Gay Howard of Marfa on a bid of \$1,100. Terrell Sohl of Alpine paid \$680 for another Largent consignment, HR Zato Heir 23D. T. E. Smith, Marfa, purchased Beau Type 55th, a yearling consigned by C. K. Smith of Marfa, on a bid of \$610. Ranger Publican A3, consigned by Joe T. Lane, Alpine, sold to Gay Howard for \$540.

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Malpi Angus Sale

SUMMARY		
24 Bulls	\$ 9,520; Avg.	\$396
11 Females	2,440; Avg.	223
35 Head	11,960; Avg.	342

THE Malpi Aberdeen-Angus Association held its fifth annual show and sale March 12 at Clayton, New Mexico, with thirty-five head of Angus cattle selling for an average of \$342.

Grand Champion bull of the show was exhibited by Shuler Donelson, Stratford, Texas, and later sold to Paul Leclair, Clayton, for \$600. He was a January 1956 calf out of Black Knight 4 of La Sade. Reserve Champion bull was a March 1955 calf, Black Knight 4 of L. G. by Black Knight 181 of AV. He was consigned by Lloyd Gambrell, Ralls, Texas, and sold to R. C. Roberts, Happy, Texas, for \$525.

The top selling bull was Howlyn Black Peer 5th, an April 1955 son of Black Peer of Red Oak, consigned by H. P. Meyers, Colorado Springs, Colo. He sold at \$1,150 to Harold Meredith, Rye, Colo. Richard M. Buckles, Stratford, exhibited the Grand Champion pen of bulls that sold separately for \$520 to the Click Ranch, Deming, N. M., and \$425 to N. H. Nuttall, Agar, S. D. Nuttall and Claude Garrett, Grenville, N. M., were the major buyers of bulls.

Topping the heifer sale was the Reserve Champion female of the show, Questa of Howlyn 6th, a September 1954 daughter of Grenadier of Wheatland 54 consigned by Meyers. She sold to Elmer Williams, Clayton, on a bid of \$410. The Grand Champion heifer Poetess Blackcap of BAR was consigned by O. C. Barnhardt, Sedan, N. M., and sold for \$300 to Williams.

Stanley Anderson, with the Animal Husbandry Dept., Texas Tech, Lubbock, was the judge. Delbert Winchester, Enid, Okla., was the auctioneer.

Northeast Texas Angus Sale

SUMMARY		
4 Bulls	\$ 956; Avg.	\$239
44 Females	7,480; Avg.	170
48 Head	8,436; Avg.	175

THE Texas Angus Association sponsored the Northeast Texas Angus Association Sale held at Sulphur Springs March 8. Older cattle found a ready market, but bidding was sluggish on calves under a year old.

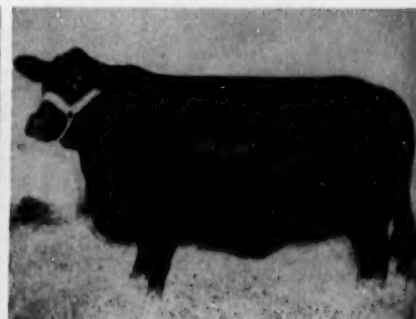
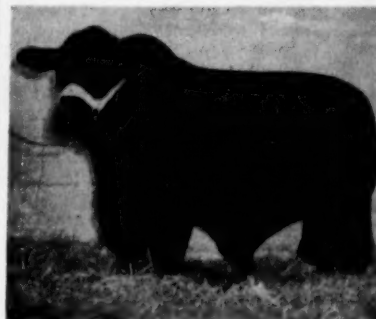
The top selling bull, Prince Envious of S. L. 14th, a two-past son of AP Prince Envious 17th consigned by Sondra-Lin Farm, Fort Worth, went to R. E. Pratt, Sulphur Springs, for \$555.

Topping the heifers was another Sondra-Lin consignment, Lucy 2d of Sondra-Lin, an Erica Bardolier GR 5th daughter that sold safe in calf to Prince 105 SAF to Craver Ranch, Denton, on a bid of \$525. Second top selling animal was Chandler's Hyacinth 2d, a December 1955 heifer consigned by Clarence Chandler, Ringgold, Texas, and sold to J. A. McGill, Paris, for \$300. Ray Sims, Belton, Mo., was the auctioneer.

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Diem Angus Sale Gets \$5,200 Top

SUMMARY		
5 Bulls	\$ 1,955; Avg.	\$397
59 Females	\$1,535; Avg.	\$34
64 Head	\$3,520; Avg.	\$54

THE first annual production sale of the Diem Angus Farm, Inola, Okla., was held March 16 and attracted a good crowd of spectators and buyers. A junior judging contest for 4-H and F.F.A. boys was held in the morning and a heifer calf was awarded the high scoring judging team.

Topping the bulls was Black Prince 24th of J. S., a February 1955 son of Prince T 195th of SAF, featured herd sire of the sale. He sold to William Spordeder, Davenport, Okla., for \$700.

Cherry Blossom of Robin Hood 15th, a 2-year-old daughter of Black Knight 75th of Angus Valley and out of an imported Cherry Blossom cow, topped the females at \$5,200, selling to S Bar D Ranch, Tulsa. She sold bred to the "195th." The second top price, \$1,600, was made twice—once on E. W. Thompson's, Sedalia, Mo., purchase of Miss Chimera of Evans on order, and again when Red Oak Farms, Rocky Comfort, Mo., bought Pinky Pride of Robin Hood 3d at the same price. Haystack Ranch, Longmont, Colo., paid \$1,200 for Princess Katinka of E, a two-year-old daughter of Prince Sunbeam 390th.

Cols. Ray Sims and Hugh James were the auctioneers.

Houston Angus Sale Averages \$670

SUMMARY		
8 Bulls	\$ 5,925; Avg.	\$740
29 Females	\$8,830; Avg.	449
37 Head	\$24,755; Avg.	670

THE Texas Angus Association held its first annual Houston sale in connection with the Houston Livestock Show Feb. 21, with an offering of top cattle meeting with a good demand.

The top price of \$1,800 was paid for Keystone A 16th of Essar, a son of Prince of Red Gate 45th, by Junker Spencer, Beaumont, Texas. He was consigned by Kermac Farms, Poteau, Okla.

A Mecom Ranch, Hitchcock, Texas, heifer topped the females at the same figure and sold to Black Mark Farm,

Dallas. She was Mecom Gammer, a May 1956 open daughter of Black Peer 182d of A.V. and out of Gammer Gardenia B. G. 2d.

WRS Farm, Hutchinson, Kan., consigned the second top selling bull, Prince of WRS 2d, a three-year-old by Prince Sunbeam 502d out of Fairfield Miss Burgess that sold for \$1,300 to McGinness Angus Ranch, West Columbia, Texas.

The second top heifer sold for \$1,400 to Sunny Slope Farm, Richmond, Texas. She was Erica of WRS 13th, a two-year-old daughter of Prince Elbanor WRS. Mecom Ranch paid \$1,225 for Gleannloch Barbaramere, a September 1955 daughter of Eileenmere 1032 RAF, consigned by Gleannloch Farm, Houston. B Dot Erica 7th, a W. R. Cammack, Johnson City, consignment, went to Gleannloch Farm on a \$1,200 bid. Lucky "L" Ranch, Comfort, Texas, paid \$1,000 for Gammer Good Earth 9th, consigned by Cox and Yoakum, Hockley, Texas.

Hamilton James, Newton, Ill., was the auctioneer.

B. H. Graham President of Oklahoma Angus Breeders

B. H. GRAHAM, Pauls Valley, was elected president of the Oklahoma Aberdeen-Angus Breeders Association at its annual meeting held in Oklahoma City last month. Jean Neustadt is the retiring president.

Paul Keesee, of Ker-Mac Farms, was elected vice-president and Doyle Chambers, Oklahoma A. & M. College, was reelected secretary.

The incoming board of directors is composed of Dillard Bryce, Ringling; Hal Owen, Yukon; Earl Dugger, and Paul Thieman, Jr., Tulsa; Art Johnson, Ryan; Carlton Corbin, Ada; and Dr. Lowery, Poteau.

McCraw Heads South Texas Angus Breeders

A RNOLD McCRAW, Mathis, Texas, was elected president of the South Texas Angus Association at a meeting held recently. John Morgan, Premont, was elected vice-president and Malcolm A. Maedgen, Mathis, secretary-treasurer.

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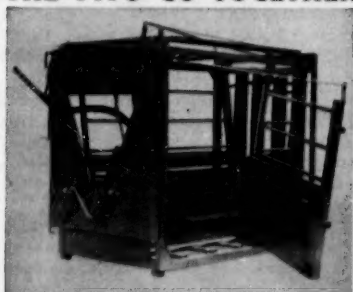
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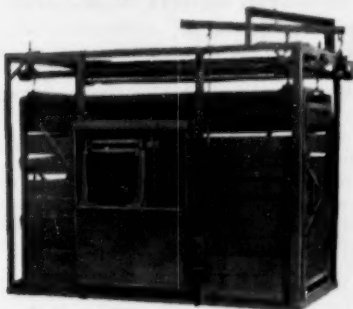
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HC Larry Domino 12 Tops Hereford Register of Merit

A NEW king has been crowned at the top of the blue-ribboned Register of Merit maintained by the American Hereford Association.

He is HC Larry Domino 12th, the \$210,000 herd sire owned by McCormick Farms of Medina, Ohio. He replaces the venerable CW Prince Domino 21, whose get was shown principally by the Largs of Merkel, Texas. The "21st" took over in 1954 from Larry Domino 50, grandsire of the "12th."

The new ruler of the register was calved in 1945 and bred by the late C. A. Smith, owner of Hillcrest Farms, Chester, W. Va. His get was shown principally by Hillcrest and McCormick Farms. He is a former champion of the International Livestock Exposition in Chicago and the sire of seven International champions. E. C. McCormick, Jr., of Akron, Ohio, purchased his second half interest in the bull at the Hillcrest dispersion in 1954.

On a gain of 66 points during the year, the "12th" moved into first place with a total of 1,131 points. The "21st" now occupies second place on the register with a total of 1,077 points, according to the announcement by Paul Swaffar, secretary of the Hereford Association.

Leading point winner for the season was TR Zato Heir 88, bred by Turner Ranch and owned by Straus Medina Hereford Ranch of San Antonio, Texas. The bull gained 234 points to raise his total to 500 and move from twenty-sixth to seventh place on the register.

New entries on the 41-year-old register include four bulls and 17 females, whose get and produce have won significant honors in show ring competition.

The new bulls represent breeders and exhibitors from seven states and raised the register to a total of 128 outstanding sires. States represented are Arizona, Michigan, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Oregon, Texas and Wyoming.

On the female side of the register, there were 24 breeders and exhibitors represented from 10 states—Arizona, California, Colorado, Nebraska, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, Texas and Wyoming.

Hereford Grand Champion At LSU Livestock Show

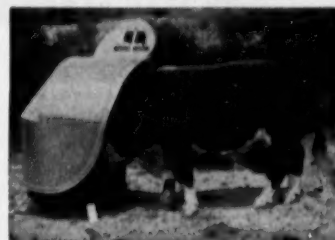
A 925-POUND Hereford captured grand championship honors over all breeds at the LSU Livestock Show held at Baton Rouge.

The grand champion was shown by Getty Miller, 16-year-old 4-H Club member from Church Point, La. The trim Hereford defeated 162 other entries for top honors.

The reserve champion of the Hereford show was shown by Harlan Beene, Jr., of Bossier Parish.

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Esteban Garcia Heads PAZA

THE Pan American Zebu Association held its annual membership meeting in San Antonio during the recent stock show. Esteban Garcia, Zebu cattle breeder of Encino, Texas, was elected president. Four vice-presidents were elected representing four American republics; L. Otis Cox, Cotulla, Texas; Alberto Beguiristain, Sagua la Grande, Cuba; Luis Robledo, Bogota, Colombia, S.A., and Guillermo Hubner, Paraíso, Tabasco, Mexico. Roy G. Martin, Cotulla, was elected to serve as secretary-treasurer.



Esteban Garcia

New Directors elected to serve on the board include: Daniel Cornelius of Markham, Texas; Frank Crawford of Cotulla, Texas; Eligio Garcia of Encino, Texas; Charles Glueck of Hobart, Indiana; Tom Holsworth of Collegeport, Texas; J. W. Martin, Jr., of Fowlerton, Texas; Jess McNeel of San Antonio, Texas, and J. B. Parker of Encinal, Texas. Sixteen old directors, representing Texas, Louisiana, Illinois, Mexico and Colombia, were retained on the board.

The PAZA announced plans for special projects in 1957 which included the sponsoring of a series of stocker-feeder sales in San Antonio; participation in the fall stocker-feeder sale at Chicago; participation in numerous livestock shows including the 1957 International; and an extensive market development program for PAZA Zebu cattle in Latin American countries and other areas.

Winners in Santa Gertrudis Show at Kissimmee, Fla.

BREEDING animals from Panuleta Farms of Uleta, Fla., and the Palmer Ranch of Sarasota, Fla., took top honors recently in the Santa Gertrudis division of the Kissimmee Valley Livestock Show held at Kissimmee, Fla.

Prince Albert, an aged bull from J. Arthur Pancoast's Panuleta Farms was named grand champion bull by the judge, James Pace, while another of Panuleta's animals, Georgie Porgie, a two-year-old bull, was named reserve champion bull.

La Bella, an aged cow from Palmer Ranch, was named grand champion Santa Gertrudis female, while Bonita, a Palmer Ranch junior yearling heifer, was given the reserve champion female banner.

Beef Breed Champions At Rio Grande Valley Show

BEEF cattle champions at the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show held at Mercedes, Texas, March 14-18 are as follows:

A junior calf shown by Lucas & Webb of Berclair was champion bull of the Hereford show. Reserve champion

bull was a junior calf exhibited by Clifford Smith of Lyford. A senior calf shown by Lucas & Webb was champion female of the show and a senior calf exhibited by Clifford Smith was reserve champion.

In the Charollaise division the Fred W. Turner Estate had the champion and reserve champion female and the reserve champion bull. Champion bull was an animal exhibited by John E. Frost of Weslaco.

J. D. Hudgins Ranch, Hungerford, Texas, took all championship honors in both the bull and female divisions of the Brahman show.

Jacko Garrett Shows Champion Brahman Heifers at Houston

JACKO GARRETT of Danbury, Texas, showed the champion Brahman heifer, JTG Miss Marshall de Manso 381, and the reserve champion Brahman heifer, JTG Miss Resoto Manso Jr. 334, in the junior breeding beef division of the Houston Fat Stock Show.

The American Brahman Breeders Association's trophy was presented to Jacko, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Garrett, along with the \$100 premium from the stock show.

Jacko, 14 years old, was ably assisted in the show ring by his 11 year old brother, Bob. Both boys have shown prize winning cattle at various stock shows in the Gulf Coast area.

Santa Gertrudis Champions At Central Florida Fair

SANTA Gertrudis breeding stock from the Palmer Ranch of Sarasota, Fla., won three champion banners at Orlando recently in the Santa Gertrudis division of the annual Central Florida Fair.

Condesa, two-year-old Palmer Ranch heifer was named grand champion female by Judge F. M. Peacock, while La Bella, an aged cow from the Palmer Ranch, was the reserve champion female. Palmer Ranch also had the reserve champion bull in Oro Rojo, a two-year-old.

The grand champion bull banner went to Mellow Man, an aged bull from the Panuleta Farms of J. Arthur Pancoast of Uleta, Fla.



Lucy C, champion Santa Gertrudis female, Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, owned by C. E. Kennemer, Jr., Dallas. We regret error in ownership last month.

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Louisiana Cattlemen Hold Annual Convention

W I. BRIAN, Alexandria, was elected president of the Louisiana Cattlemen's Association at its annual meeting held recently in Baton Rouge. He succeeded R. Watkins Greene, Youngsville. A. P. Parham, Baton Rouge, was reelected secretary-treasurer and H. E. McFatter, also of Baton Rouge, assistant secretary.

Five new district vice-presidents were elected: J. C. Ducote, Belcher, north-

west district; George Franklin, Jr., Holly Ridge, northeast district; Louis Stevens, Colfax, central district; W. H. Crenshaw, LaRose, southeast district; and Judge Lee D. Mizzi, Opelousas, southwest district.

The convention adopted 36 resolutions including a request that Secretary Benson continue to oppose all efforts to place any controls and the establishment of any kind of subsidies in connection with the production of meat animals;

Sponsored legislative appropriations to accelerate the brucellosis program so

that Louisiana will be a certified brucellosis-free state by 1960;

Commended the Louisiana Brand Commission and its inspectors for their efficient handling of duties on livestock markets; and;

Supported proposed legislation amending the Packers and Stock Yards Act whereby any marketing agency may, upon request of a responsible state livestock producer organization, make voluntary deductions, not exceeding 10 cents per head of cattle, payable to aforesaid livestock producer organization for the promotion of beef.

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Livestock Markets Review

Price Range at Fort Worth, Houston, San Antonio and New Orleans During Past Month

FORT WORTH Livestock supplies on the Fort Worth market during March were rather light however cattle and calf receipts during the first three weeks were larger than during the same period last year, with calves nearly 2,000 more. Hog receipts dropped nearly 2,000 compared with a year ago and sheep receipts were around 17,500 short of a year ago.

Prices this month in the cattle yards showed an upward swing. Compared with a month ago most slaughter steers were \$1.00-1.50 higher, with some utility grades steady to 50c higher. Slaughter heifers were strong to \$1.00 higher and cows 25c-75c higher. Bulls were strong to 50c higher and slaughter calves from 50c to \$1.50 higher. Stocker and feeder cattle and calves were 50c-\$1.50 higher than a month ago.

During the first ten days of the month slaughter steers and heifers were quite plentiful, but dwindled down as the month passed. After mid month light-weight yearlings only slightly above calf weights predominated. Good grades of slaughter steers crossed the scales recently from \$19.50-20.50, these usually averaging from 950-1,100 lbs. Choice slaughter steers sold from \$21.00-21.50. Heavier steers earlier in the month averaging 1,135-1,210 lbs. brought \$20.25. Good and choice heifers cleared recently from \$19.00-21.50. The above prices were the highest since November. Standard grade heifers and mixed yearlings turned from \$16.00-18.00. Cutter and utility grades sold from \$11.00-14.50.

Commercial cows were scarce, a few at \$14.00 and some young cows to \$14.50. Utility cows were more plentiful and turned recently from \$9.50-12.00, a few over \$12.00 and shelly canners \$7.50-8.50. Commercial bulls brought \$14.50, one or two head to \$15.00, with canner, cutter and utility bulls from \$10.50-14.00.

Good and choice slaughter calves crossed the scales recently from \$19.00-21.00, a few prime to \$22.00. Standard

calves sold mostly from \$15.00-17.00 and most cull and utility grades \$10.00-13.50.

During recent weeks about one-fourth of the cattle and calves were stockers and feeders. Medium and good grades of mixed yearlings moved recently from \$17.00-19.00, with good grade 525-700 lb. yearlings at \$20.00. Common and medium lots sold from \$14.50-16.50. A few stocker heifers moved from \$15.00-17.00. Good stocker steer calves cashed from \$19.50-21.50 and some good and choice mixed at \$21.00 and \$21.50. Medium steer calves \$16.00-18.00, with medium and good heifer calves \$14.50-18.50. Small lots stocker cows moved from \$11.00-13.50.

Recent sales of butcher hogs and sows were 50c lower than a month previous. This month's top previous to March 25 was \$18.25 paid during the second and third week of March. Toward the close of the third week No. 1, 2 and 3 grade 190-275 lbs. brought \$17.50 and \$17.75. Demand was narrow for under 190 lbs. and some 151 lbs. turned recently at \$14.00. Most sows this month sold from \$14.75-15.50, some early in the month to \$16.00.

About 20-25 per cent of the sheep and lambs here this month were spring lambs that sold recently from \$4.50 to \$5.00 higher than early this month. Shorn slaughter lambs were \$3.00-4.00 higher than a month ago and slaughter ewes \$1.00 higher. Feeder lambs \$1.00-2.00 higher. Good to prime spring lambs sold during the third week of March from \$23.50 to \$25.00 or the highest since last May. Woolled old crop lambs were scarce, a few choice to \$22.50 and shearing lambs to \$22.00. Good and choice 85-110 lb. shorn slaughter lambs with No. 1 and fall shorn pelts turned from \$21.00-22.50 and No. 2 pelts from \$20.50-22.00. Good and choice No. 3 pelts cleared from \$19.50-21.50, with culls down to \$14.00.

Good shorn slaughter yearlings brought \$17.00 and cull to good shorn slaughter ewes sold from \$7.00-9.00, good woolled feeder lambs moved from

\$19.50-21.00 and common to good shorn stockers and feeders from \$12.50 to \$18.50.

SAN ANTONIO General price increases on most classes marked cattle trading on the San Antonio market during March. Slaughter steers and heifers showed gains of 50c-\$1.00, as compared to prices at the close of the preceding month. Slaughter cows were steady to 50c higher and bulls were steady. A 50c gain was noted in slaughter calves and similar increases occurred on stocker and feeder yearlings and stocker calves.

Bulk of the Good slaughter steers moved in a \$18.00-20.00 price bracket, with a few average Good to low Choice at \$18.50-20.50. Mostly standard steers and heifers ranged from \$16.50-18.00 and a few utility to standard brought \$15.00-16.50.

Commercial cows were scarce during the period, with the very few offered ranging \$13.50-14.50. Bulk of utility to low commercial cows cleared at \$12.00-13.50, a gain of 25c-50c over the close of the previous month. Cannery and cutters sold in range of \$12.00-13.50. Utility bulls scored \$13.00-14.50, prices above \$14.00 paid sparingly. Canner and cutter bulls claimed \$11.00-12.50.

Bulk of average standard to average good slaughter calves crossed the scales at \$17.50-19.00 with a few average to high good at \$19.00-20.00. Lots and loads of standard brought \$16.50-18.00. Utility to standard took \$14.50-16.50 with cull and utility at \$13.50-15.50.

Small lots of medium to good stocker yearling steers earned \$16.50-18.00 with a few common to medium at \$15.50-17.00. Light offerings of yearling stocker or feeder heifers cashed at \$15.50-17.00 for medium to good with common to medium at \$14.50-15.50. A modest volume of medium to good stock steer calves sold in small lots at \$18.00-20.00, with a couple of loads 280-360 lbs. going at \$19.25-

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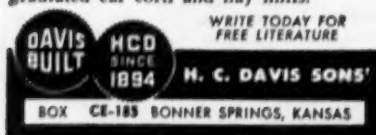


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HOUSTON Trading was generally active for the supply of cattle on offer at the Port City Stockyards during the past month, the bulk of the supplies on hand at the opening of each day's market moving out early but slaughter cows experienced a bearish session at mid-month. About 40 per cent of the month's receipts consisted of slaughter yearlings weighing from 600-850 lbs. and showing some evidence of feed, cows made up about 50 per cent of the supply with bulls and a few steers making up the balance of the receipts. The total salable receipts for the month amounted to about 3,650 cattle, about 2,500 head less than the preceding month total, but 900 head more than came in during the same period of last year.

Prices for high standard or better slaughter yearlings advanced \$1.50-2.50 per hundred, lower grades about \$1.00 higher, slaughter cows closed steady to 50c higher after advancing \$1.00 early in the month, bulls advanced 50c. Stocker yearlings were \$1.00 higher while cows closed about steady. Several lots of good 600-800 lb. slaughter yearlings sold from \$20.00-21.00 late in the month, a small package of choice at \$21.75. Standard grade from \$17.00-19.00 and cutter and utility from \$13.00-17.00. Utility and commercial slaughter cows closed from \$11.50-13.50, canner and cutter from \$9.50-11.50, shelly canner down to \$8.50. Cutter and utility bulls brought from \$12.50-15.00, heavy weights to \$15.50. Common and medium stocker yearling steers brought from \$12.00-15.50, common and medium cows from \$10.50-11.50.

Trading was generally active in the calf division with both packer and stocker interests in the market at most all times. The bulk of the receipts consisted of high standard slaughter calves on common and medium stockers with most of the good slaughter calves weighing near 500 lbs. The total salable receipts for the month amounted to about 9,700 calves, showing a decline of about 6,600 head compared with the preceding month but small gain of 300 head compared with the month of last year. Price advances ranging from \$1.00 to \$3.00 were paid for slaughter calves the most advance for better grades. Stocker calves went at fully steady rates. Closing prices included choice slaughter calves to \$21.50, good from \$20.00-21.00 including weights over 500 lb., standard from \$17.00-19.00 with some high-yielding kind to \$19.50, cull and utility from \$13.00-17.00. Good stocker steer calves made from \$17.00-18.00, a few to \$18.50 with heifers to \$17.00. Medium from \$15.00-16.00 and with common and medium mixed breeds and cross-breeds from \$13.00-15.50 regardless of sex.

NEW ORLEANS Receipts on the New Orleans Stock Yards for the period under review were somewhat less than those of the same month last year. Good demand on all classes tended to keep prices steady to firm all during the month. There was little or no fluctuation and the market closed from 50c to \$1 higher for the period.

The calf trade was very active. With not enough cows coming in to satisfy the demand, this class was also very active and in excellent demand. Bulls remained active and fully steady. Stocker cattle were active and all classes in good demand.

The hog trade was rather sporadic, with only the top butcher classes meeting an active trade. All others were slow in moving.

Good to choice calves sold from \$19-\$21; commercials \$17-\$18; utilities from \$15-\$16; and culls \$12-\$14.

Commercial cows brought \$12.50-\$13.50; utilities \$11-\$12; cutters \$9-\$10; and canners \$7-\$8.

Best bulls sold \$13-\$14; utilities \$11.50-\$12.50, cutters \$9.50-\$10.

Good to choice slaughter steers sold \$17-\$20; commercials \$15-\$16; and utilities \$13-\$14.

Good to choice slaughter heifers sold \$17-\$20; commercials \$15-\$16; and utilities \$13-\$14.

Good stocker steers brought \$15-\$16; common and medium \$13-\$14; stocker heifers ranged from \$11-\$12.

Good to choice hogs, 180-220 lbs., brought \$17-\$17.50; good, 230-250 lbs., \$16-\$16.50; good, 160-180 lbs., \$15-\$16; good butcher pigs \$13-\$14; packer sows \$9-\$12 and good feeder pigs \$12-\$13.

Oklahoma Shorthorn Breeders Hold Annual Meeting

OKLAHOMA Shorthorn breeders met in Oklahoma City last month and elected Clyde Campbell, Helena, president of the association, succeeding Bart Rayburn. Frank Frey, Chickasha, replaced Campbell as vice president. Dr. J. A. Whately, of Oklahoma A. & M. College, was renamed secretary.

New directors are: J. A. Carter, Altus; Floyd Fuqua, Nardin; Jack Deason, Ft. Cobb; Cleo Dupy, Lamont; and Bart Rayburn to fill the unexpired term of Charles Spraggins.

Texas A. & M. Rodeo to Feature N.C.H.A. Contest

THE TEXAS A & M Intercollegiate Rodeo Association will sponsor a N.C.H.A. cutting horse contest, to be held in conjunction with their annual N.I.R.A. rodeo, May 2, 3, 4, at Texas A & M College.

According to Bill Ragland, chairman of the cutting horse contest, N.C.H.A. rules and regulations will be followed and N.C.H.A. points will be awarded. The contest is open to all N.C.H.A. members. Entries will close at 12:00 noon April 30. Houston E. Smith and Watt Hardin have been named as judges.

Range News of the Southwest



Texas

February rains brought the most promising prospects for spring range and pasture feed in recent years. These rains ranged from 2 to 5 inches over the east side of the State but tapered out to less than an inch in extreme northern Panhandle and the western side of the Trans-Pecos. Additional showers and rain in early March, particularly in the northwest, further improved prospects for spring grass. Small grains, rescue grass and clovers were coming along rapidly over the east side of the state. Much of that area already has surplus grass available. With a little more rain throughout the spring, ample feed will be available in that area until these cool-season grasses mature about mid-May. On the west side of the state native ranges and pastures were greening but are still short. Small grains in the Low Rolling Plains and Edwards Plateau were supplying considerable feed. Stock, however, were already being taken off fields to be saved for grain. All range and pasture feed reported at 65 percent condition on March 1 was 13 points above that reported a month earlier. It was still 4 points below the condition reported a year ago and 6 points below average for this date.

Cattle and calves were picking up rapidly on the increasing supply of lush green feed on the east side of the State. Many farmers in that area were back in the market looking for stocker cattle to graze that lush green feed. To the west, most cattle were still being maintained on supplemental roughage and concentrates. Marketing of cows and calves was curtailed as improved feed prospects shifted the trend from one of liquidation to some cautious restocking. A mild winter along with heavy supplemental feeding held death losses at a low level. Cattle and calves were reported at 71 percent condition on March 1 compared with 65 percent a month ago and the 10-year March 1 average of 76 percent.

Western Ranges

Grazing prospects in the West were improved by precipitation during February and early March. There was a



marked improvement in range and pasture feed conditions in Eastern and Central Texas, Eastern and Central Oklahoma, and California. The rain and snow gave some temporary relief to the long-dry grazing lands of Eastern Colorado, Western Kansas, Western Oklahoma, the western third of Texas, and New Mexico. Ranges in the Central and Northern Plains were mostly open during February, with fair old feed. Early range feed prospects are good in the Northwest. More than usual supplemental feeding has been necessary in the West with continued heavy feeding in the dry Plains and Southwest sections. The condition rating of range feed at 67 per cent is up 5 points from a month ago but the lowest for March 1 since 1937, while the condition on March 1, 1935 was 60 per cent. Mild, open weather during February was favorable for livestock, with less than the usual shrink, according to the March 1, 1957 Western Range and Livestock Report issued by the U. S. Agricultural Marketing Service.

Cattle Sales and Prices

Where sex is not given on sale, excepting calves, the reference is to steers. As "The Cattleman" goes to press several days before date of release, range conditions may have changed since these reports were made.

AMARILLO

W. N. Barrick, Amarillo, shipped 201 steer calves to Fort Pierre, So. Dakota; and sold 222 yearling heifers to Russell Ellsnesser, Kansas City, Mo.

Ray Barr, Amarillo, shipped 37 yearling steers to Iowa.

Leon Wilhelm, Amarillo, sold 102 yearling heifers to Eldon Vance, Panhandle.

Bob Hulett, Amarillo, sold 100 two-year-old steers to Goldring Packing Co., Los Angeles, Calif.

Ed McMurtry, Vigo Park, sold 42 yearling heifers to V. L. Matney, Amarillo. J. C. Thomas, Jr., Plainview, sold 98 calves, steers and heifers to Bainbridge Cattle Co., Bryan.

Roy Clark, Dumas, sold 75 calves, steers and heifers to Lowell Windsor, Kansas City, Mo.

Gillispie Bros., Morse, sold 134 two-year-old steers and heifers to Joe Hays, Sioux City, Iowa.

Fluitt & Harwell, Hereford, sold 81 calves and steers to Carl Schumaker, Colfax, Ill.

Roger Brumley, Hereford, sold 120 yearling steers to Chicago Producers, Poplar Grove, Ill.

Al Smith, Hereford, sold 351 one-and two-year-old steers to Wilson & Co., Thermal, Calif.

Trujillo Cattle Co., Channing, sold 455 yearling steers to Burns, O'Connor and Skinner, Lexington, Nebr.

We have had about three and a half inches of rain since the first of the year and the weeds are beginning to come up, as we have not had any real bad winter. Country shipping is about over.

Steer calves are selling 19c to 22c; heifer calves, 18c to 20c; two and three-year-old heifers, 12c to 14c; dry cows, 8c to 11½c; cows with calves, \$110 to \$150; yearling steers, 16c to 18c; twos, 11c to 13c; and threes and up, 10c to 12c.—N. B. Albright.

ARCHER CITY

Fred Hill, Amarillo, bought 1,000 yearling heifers, yearling steers and two-year-old steers from Baker & Ebner, Wichita Falls; 400 yearling steers and two-year-old steers from G. U. Baker, Wichita Falls; 200 two-year-old steers from Ebner & Walker, Wichita Falls; 1,000 yearling heifers, yearling steers and two-year-old steers from R. H. Farmer, Olney; and 550 two-year-old steers from McGregor Ranch, Wichita Falls, all for June delivery.

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Cattle News

OMAHA

By HART JORGENSEN

Hart Jorgensen, Executive Director of the Livestock Foundation of Omaha, is personally known to thousands of Corn Belt and Western livestock growers and feeders through his market broadcasts, and talks before various livestock grower and feeder groups.—The Editor.

That old saying, "Beware the ideoes of March," stirred no apprehension among cattle feeders this time. On the contrary, right about then they were watching the fat cattle market come up with its best performance in weeks, a showing that in numerous instances represented price upturns of up to \$3 and more above a mere month earlier. It was a rally reminiscent of the one that blossomed out last summer. Generally, more moderate marketings got credit for the March upswing in values.

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Gains on the fat cattle side were matched by feeder trade. (Not a few on the buying side stated it more strongly than that.) At any rate, feeder demand was robust enough that feeder buyers frequently competed with packers for half-fat cattle weighing 800 to 1,050 pounds. Definite stimulus to feeder demand the third week in March was first substantial moisture in months — rain in the Omaha area and snow to the north.

Quotable "quotes" from the ninth annual National Pasture-Forage-Livestock Conference at the Omaha Stock Yards March 14:

Wyoming's Senator O'Mahoney: "... William the Conqueror ... gave approval about 900 years ago to a law which required the sale of livestock to be made in the city and before 'three faithful witnesses'."

Nelson R. Crow, Los Angeles livestock magazine editor and publisher: "Some government beef contracts have been filled by packers with 'consigned' cattle in which they had no financial interest ... It isn't too difficult to be the lowest bidder when you are selling the other fellow's beef."

Gwynn Garnett, Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA: "This is the fourth year of steadily increasing U. S. agricultural exports. We expect that during this fiscal year, ending June 30, agricultural exports will set a new record in both value and volume."

Joseph D. Hale, Director, Department of Marketing, Morningside College, Sioux City, Ia.: "The most important function of the terminal markets is the establishment of prices ... Supply, combined with a highly trained and aggressive selling force provides bargaining power for the establishment of prices."

Herman C. Aaberg, Livestock Director, Commodity Department, American Farm Bureau Federation, Chicago: "... The job of the livestock producer is to ... sell for as high a price as he can and to at least obtain full market value for his animals ... he must endeavor to increase his bargaining power ... with sufficient volume to attract buyers."

John W. Christian, vice president, director and general manager, Cudahy Packing Co., Omaha: "Meat prices are set by Mrs. Housewife, who often forces a reduction that eventually brings the producer less for his livestock."

Fred W. Campbell, general manager, Ontario Stock Yards Co., Toronto: "Canadian hog raisers presently are making a concerted effort to obtain more bargaining power in the marketing of their hogs by putting a larger percentage of them on the public markets. Presently, only 10% of Canada's hogs move through the terminal markets."

Leslie E. Johnson, head of the animal husbandry department, Iowa State College, Ames: "The college does not advocate any one marketing system, instead endeavors to teach what constitutes each and their respective advantages and disadvantages."

Theme of the Omaha meeting this year was: "Marketing—Our No. 1 Problem." Despite near-blizzard conditions, those attending the session came from over a wide area — from Chicago west to Denver, from Kansas City north to Fargo.

KANSAS CITY

By DON EVANS

On a Monday morning early in March just before the market opened at 9 o'clock three packer steer buyers drew numbers from a hat to see who would have the

first opportunity to bid on steers in a commission firm's alley when the market opened.

It had been sometime last summer when I had last seen packer buyers so eager to buy cattle. For months they had not stirred from the coffee shop in the Livestock Exchange building until well after the market opened at 9 o'clock.

Finally it looked like the cattle market had found its direction and was on its way. In the month from mid-February to mid-March cattle have moved up around \$2.50 per hundred pounds in the slaughter cattle alleys here at Kansas City. When the first real good market day came the first Monday in March many observers wondered how big the run would be around the circuit the next day. The big run didn't materialize that week.

The next Monday saw another rapid-fire market with all slaughter cattle being cleaned up in two hours. No glut of cattle followed. Finally the third good market Monday came and most people finally believe the oversupply of cattle has been worked off, for the present at least.

In the month mentioned above choice cattle have shown the best gains, moving up fully \$2.50 per hundred pounds, with the best selling as high as \$23.50. Prime steers have advanced \$2 to a top of \$25. The best heifers have gained \$2 to a top of \$23.50. Cows and bulls have advanced a strong \$2 per hundred.

Stocker and feeder cattle prices have followed the fat cattle market with gains ranking not quite as strong. Most increases in prices have been around \$1.50 per hundred with best quality heavy feeders gaining as much as \$2. Apparently feeders were willing to pay up for cattle they can come back with in a short time to try to take advantage of the present good market. Feeders were competing actively with packer buyers on the so-called two-way cattle, those needing some more grain to kill to the best advantage.

On one of the good market days I mentioned to a commission man that the 150 loads of slaughter steers and heifers on the market was a long way from the Mondays when the yards had more than 200 loads of such cattle.

"It will be a long time before Kansas has 200 loads of fat cattle again," the commission man said. "Certainly not

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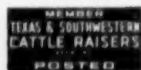
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Kansas stockmen at Wichita recently heard a federal farm credit man forecast that the downward trend in cattle prices and upward trend in numbers had been halted and cattlemen could expect to see cattle prices double in the next five to seven years.

Hog prices have remained about steady throughout the month, perhaps moving up half-a-dollar to a top of \$18.

With the run of spring lambs starting the top in the sheep market has advanced \$3 in the last month to a top of \$23.50.

OKLAHOMA CITY

By HOOT ELIJAH

During the past thirty days from February 15 to March 15 fed cattle moved in good numbers, week by week from prices quoted steady to 50c higher each week. The majority of fed steers consisted of good to choice grades and sold from \$18.50-\$20.50. Good and choice heifers and mixed yearlings closed for the period at \$18.00-\$20.50.

Good and choice vealers closed from \$18.00-\$22.00 with few above \$21.00. Good and choice slaughter calves generally brought \$17.00-\$19.00.

Utility and commercial cows closed at \$11.50-\$13.00 with a few commercial cows up to \$14.00. This was an advance of about 50c to 75c for the month.

Replacement cattle have been comprising around 35 percent of the overall receipts with the majority in the medium and good grades. With rains generally good over most of Oklahoma the demand was good with prices 50c to \$1.00 higher for the period. Receipts have increased but more than enough are actively taking all.

Medium to good stock cows cleared from \$10.00-\$11.50. Much interest in all classes of stockers and feeders with a lot of farmers interested in cattle to eat a little wheat pasture, run on grass, and have a possibility of making a profit.

The March 1957 Oklahoma City Spring

Livestock Show was the best quality, largest entries, and smoothest handled to date. Manager, A. K. Mackay, Vice President of the Okla. National Stockyards and his crew handled the 542 steers, 986 barrows and 601 lambs shown with satisfaction and precision. The State Hereford sale averaged \$455 on the 51 bulls and females. The Angus bulls averaged \$356.50 and the heifers \$281.61 while the Shorthorn bulls averaged \$312.00 and females \$193.00.

FORT SMITH, ARK.-OKLA.

By G. SHINN

The price trend on the Fort Smith market has advanced since our last report. Slaughter steers and heifers up to \$1.00 or more higher. Cows steady to \$1.00 higher, advance largely on canner and cutter offerings. Vealers selling steady to \$1.00 higher. Slaughter calves 50c to \$1.00 higher, some sales \$1.50 higher. Stockers and feeders 50c higher, best action on medium and better offerings.

Standard and good slaughter steers and heifers \$15-\$18.75, few loads good 1054 lb. fed steers \$18.50, two loads mostly choice 957 lb. steers \$20.50.

Utility and commercial cows \$11-\$13, few standard up to \$14, cannors and cutters \$9-\$11.50. Medium to good stock cows from \$10-\$12.

Good and choice vealers \$18-\$24, high choice \$25-\$26, few individual head at \$27. Utility and standard selling from \$13-\$17.

Good and choice slaughter calves up to 500 lbs. selling from \$15.50-\$18, few high choice \$19-\$20. Utility and standard from \$12-\$15.

Common and medium stocker and feeder steers selling from \$16-\$17.50, good and choice \$18-\$19. Common and medium stocker heifers cleared at \$15-\$16.50, few good up to \$17. Medium and good stock steer calves sold from \$17-\$18.50, good and choice \$19-\$20. Medium and good stock heifer calves selling from \$16-\$17.50, few choice at \$18.

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Bluebonnet Experiment Station Holds Annual Field Day

THE Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, (Bluebonnet Farm) McGregor, Texas, held its annual Beef Cattle Field Day March 14 with a good crowd on hand to observe the results of gain performance tested cattle of all breeds.

The morning was devoted to conducted tours of inspection of cattle on test. Visitors were taken to each pen of cattle and comments and explanations were presented by county agents from District 8 who were stationed at the various test pens.

The results presented were from 200 animals that completed a 140-day gain evaluation test March 6. The calves on test this year consisted of 140 bulls and heifers entered by cooperative private breeders; 109 bulls, heifers and steers raised in the breeding herd at the Bluebonnet station; and 29 heifers and steers from the Sonora Experiment Station.

The primary purpose of the tests is to evaluate the ability of the individual calves to grow or gain under standard conditions. The approximate rations fed all breeding animals consisted of: 20% ground Milo grain, 15% Cottonseed meal, and 65% Hay, principally Johnson grass and Sorghum.

After lunch, a program featuring discussions of gain-tested cattle was held. Ed McKay, McLennan county agent was master of ceremonies and Henry O. Hill, experiment station superintendent, made introductions and acknowledgments.

Dr. C. M. Kincaid, U.S.D.A. coordinator, southern region beef cattle breeding projects, was the principal speaker and commented on beef cattle research.

Dr. R. E. Patterson, vice director, Texas Agricultural Expt. Station, presented certificates of gain records to breeders having cattle that made above average gains on the test. Max Blau, Follett, Texas, spoke on "How a Breeder Uses Production Records."

Dr. T. C. Cartwright, associate animal husbandman and geneticist, at the Bluebonnet station, commented on the gain tests and certificates presented. L. A. Maddox, extension animal husbandman, Amarillo, talked on "Improving the Herd on the Farm or Ranch."

Following the program, a sale of gain evaluation tested bulls and heifers was held with Walter Kruse, Waxahachie, in charge. Following is a list of the breeders having the top gaining cattle in the various breeds represented:

Angus (1 bull) Edwin M. Hinson, West, Texas.

Brahman (8 bulls, 8 heifers) Bluebonnet Farm on both sexes.

Brangus (13 bulls, 1 heifer) Paleface Ranch, Spicewood, Texas, on both sexes. Beefmaster (3 bulls) W. W. White, Mason, Texas.

Charbray (2 bulls) Ralph W. Hutchins, Raymondville, Texas.

Charolaise (2 bulls, 1 heifer) Bulls, C. H. Langford, Bandera; heifer, O. J. Smythe, Bandera.

Hereford (37 bulls, 41 heifers) W. F. Bowman, Houston, Texas.

Red Poll (6 bulls, 2 heifers) Bulls, Hy Lee Fuchs, Carmine, Texas; heifers, Calvin Hodde, Houston, Texas.

Red Brangus (1 bull) Paleface Ranch.

Santa Gertrudis (38 bulls, 13 heifers)

Bulls, R. W. Briggs, San Antonio, Texas; heifers, Frank Schuster, San Juan, Texas.

Shorthorn (5 bulls) Thomas H. Shartle, Houston, Texas.

Balmorhea Experiment Station 15th Bull Progeny Test

THE Paint Rock, Texas, Hereford herd which has consistently tested a high rate of feed lot gain once again led in daily gain in the Balmorhea, Texas Experiment Station's 15th bull progeny test held March 9.

Jack V. Williams of Paint Rock had the highest gaining bull, A. Domino 62. In 140-days feeding the bull gained an average of 3.18 pounds daily. His sire, R. Domino 8, was highest gainer (3.24 pounds) in the 1951-52 test here.

The program ended with a field day with well over 200 people in attendance. It is not intended as a contest, but rather as a basis for each individual cattleman to judge his own cattle and their improvement.

In this test, 91 bulls and 14 heifers were fed. Average daily gain was 2.42 pounds on all bulls, 1.79 on heifers. They were divided into groups by sires. Aim was to evaluate by performance of their offspring. Gaining ability has been found to be highly heritable.

A majority of the cattle in the test came from the Highland area but some were from as far away as Menard, Christoval, Lubbock and Follett. Fifteen cattlemen had cattle in the program.

Highest gaining heifer was owned by C. K. Smith of Marfa, with 2 pounds daily gain.

Highest gaining group of bulls, averaging 2.8 pounds daily, was owned by W. T. Posey of Fort Stockton.

Highest heifer group was from Smith, 1.9 pounds. Highest gaining full steer group, with 2.5 was a Posey group. Williams had top individual steer with 2.9 pounds.

A. A. Melton, station superintendent, was program chairman.

A. M. Shelton of Sonora Experiment Station gave some figures to show how calves from high gaining bulls have surpassed those from low gaining bulls on pasture at the range station near Balmorhea. He said calves from high gaining bulls weaned at an average of 437.7 pounds (7 months), medium gainers, 430.3, low gainers, 417.8. Finished out in feed lot, the first calf averaged 1.80 pounds daily gain, those from medium bulls, 1.81, and low bulls, 1.71. Gain per day of age was 1.80, 1.70 and 1.66.

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HEREFORD SALES

- April 4—PanTech Tested Bull Sale, Amarillo, Texas.
- April 5—Performance Tested Bull Sale, Panhandle A. & M. College, Goodwell, Okla.
- April 15—Texas Hereford Assn. Roundup Sale, Fort Worth, Texas.
- April 18—Commercial Hereford Stocker-Feeder Show & Sale, Union Stockyards, San Antonio, Texas.
- April 23—Wyoming Hereford Ranch Heifer Sale, Cheyenne, Wyo.
- April 26—Burnett-Stroube-Cotten, Corsicana, Texas.
- May 2—Commercial Stocker Cow Sale, Union Stockyards, San Antonio, Texas.
- May 10—Stocker-Feeder Sale, Fort Worth.
- May 20—Crutcher-Wilmut Partnership Disp. Sale, Fort Worth, Texas.
- May 27—Gilfoll Ranch, Tallulah, La.
- June 7—Stocker-Feeder Sale, Fort Worth.
- July 11—Commercial Stocker-Feeder, Union Stockyards, San Antonio, Texas.
- July 19—Stocker-Feeder Sale, Fort Worth.
- Aug. 16—Stocker-Feeder Sale, Fort Worth.
- Sept. 5—Commercial Stocker-Feeder, Union Stockyards, San Antonio, Texas.
- Sept. 13—Stocker-Feeder Sale, Fort Worth.
- Oct. 11—Stocker-Feeder Sale, Fort Worth.
- Oct. 24—Commercial Hereford Stocker-Feeder, Union Stockyards, San Antonio, Texas.
- Dec. 5—Capital Area Hereford Assn., City Coliseum, Austin, Texas.

POLLED HEREFORD SALES

- Apr. 2—Hull-Dobbs Ranch, Walls, Miss.
- May 25—Buck Sullivan Polled Dispersion, Crockett, Texas.

ANGUS SALES

- April 13—Mid-Texas Angus Sale, Arlington, Texas.
- May 2—Commercial Angus Stocker Cow, Union Stockyards, San Antonio, Texas.
- May 3—Texas Angus Assn., West Texas Angus Sale, Lubbock, Texas.
- May 8—Tucker-Porter Production Sale, Del Valle, Texas.
- May 10—Commercial Cow Sale, Fort Worth Stockyards, Fort Worth, Texas.
- May 23—Gulf Coast Angus Assn. Fitted Sale, Brookshire, Texas.
- May 27—Texas Angus Assn. 13th Annual Distribution Sale, San Angelo, Texas.
- June 13—Commercial Angus Stocker-Feeder, Union Stockyards, San Antonio, Texas.
- July 12—Stocker-Feeder Sale, Fort Worth.
- Aug. 29—Commercial Angus Stocker-Feeder, Union Stockyards, San Antonio, Texas.
- Sept. 6—Stocker-Feeder Sale—Fort Worth.

BRAHMAN SALES

- June 27—Commercial Crossbred Stocker-Feeder and Commercial Stocker Cow, PAZA, Union Stockyards, San Antonio, Texas.
- Aug. 15—Commercial Crossbred Stocker-Feeder, PAZA, Union Stockyards, San Antonio, Texas.
- Sept. 26—Commercial Crossbred Stocker-Feeder, PAZA, Union Stockyards, San Antonio, Texas.

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SANTA GERTRUDIS SALES

- April 10—King Ranch Bull Sale, Kingsville, Texas.
- April 11—Pioneer Santa Gertrudis Breeders Sale, San Antonio, Texas.
- April 13—East Texas Santa Gertrudis Breeders, Waco, Texas.

HORSE SALES

- April 10—King Ranch Quarter Horse Sale, Kingsville, Texas.
- May 4—Dodson-Hankins-Strode Quarter Horse Sale, Vernon, Texas.
- May 20—RS Bar Ranch, R. Q. Sutherland, Overland Park, Kans.
- June 1—H. C. Spinks Clay Co. Registered Quarter Horse Sale, Paris, Tenn.

SHEEP SALES

- April 26-27—Purebred Sheep Br. Assn. Ram & Ewe, Brownwood, Texas.

GENERAL

- April 5-7—National Cutting Horse Association Annual Meeting, Tucson, Ariz.
- April 18—Commercial Hereford Stocker-Feeder Show, Union Stockyards, San Antonio, Texas.
- April 27—Mid-North Texas Hereford Assn. Bull Show, Fairgrounds, Cleburne, Texas.
- May 2—Commercial Angus Stocker Cow Show, Union Stockyards, San Antonio, Texas.
- May 2—Commercial Hereford Stocker Cow Show, Union Stockyards, San Antonio, Texas.
- May 11—Annual Membership Meeting, Pioneer Beef Performance Assn., Tic Tac Toe Ranch, Frost, Texas.
- May 26—21st Annual Sonoma Quarter Horse Show, Sonoma, Ariz.
- June 13—Commercial Angus Stocker-Feeder Show, Union Stockyards, San Antonio, Texas.
- June 27—Commercial Crossbred Stocker-Feeder and Commercial Stocker Cow Show PAZA, Union Stockyards, San Antonio, Texas.
- July 2-4—Texas Cowboy Reunion, Stamford, Texas.
- July 11—Commercial Hereford Stocker-Feeder Show, Union Stockyards, San Antonio, Texas.
- Aug. 15—Commercial Crossbred Stocker-Feeder Show PAZA, Union Stockyards, San Antonio, Texas.
- Aug. 20—Commercial Angus Stocker-Feeder Show, Union Stockyards, San Antonio, Texas.
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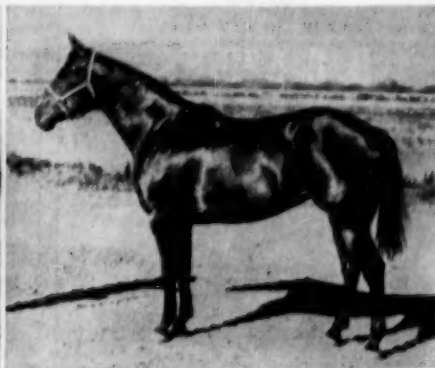
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**Albert K. Mitchell Elected President of Association.
Hollingsworth Reports 25 Per Cent Increase
In Registrations**

ALBERT K. MITCHELL, Albert, N. M. was elected president of the American Quarter Horse Association at its annual convention held in Oklahoma City last month. He succeeds Lester Goodson, Houston, Texas.

J. Ernest Brown, Wilcox, Ariz., was named first vice-president and Ken Fratis, Le-moore, Cal., second vice-president.

R. E. "Bob" Hooper, Plainview, Texas, and Ed Honnen, Denver, Colo., were named to the executive board.

Raymond Hollingsworth, Amarillo, Texas, was reelected secretary and Boyce Gregory, Amarillo, was named treasurer.

Sam Robinson, Little Rock, Ark., was named to the board of directors. All hold-over directors were returned pending decision on a changeover to increase the size of the board, except for the following replacements for board members retiring: Arizona, Stan Snedigar, Safford; California, Dexter Williams, Sun Valley; Oklahoma, Dallas Poteet, Velma; Texas, Clarence Scharbauer, Midland and Ed Heller Dundee.

Tucson was chosen as the site of the 1958 convention.

Mitchell, is perhaps one of the most widely known livestock men in the country. Besides operating a huge ranch in New Mexico, he is advisor and counsel for the old Matador Ranch in West Texas. He was an organizer of the AQHA, is now president of the American Hereford Association, the International Livestock Exposition; vice-chairman of the National Cowboy Hall of Fame trustees; a trustee of Cornell University; an official of the American National Cattle-mens Association and a director of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association.

Secretary Raymond Hollingsworth reported a 25 percent increase in both registrations and transfers of horses during the past year. The association now has more than 8,000 members up about 1,000 from the previous year. On Jan. 1 there were 100,686 horses on the registration rolls. There were 12,787 transfers, compared to 8,881 in 1955, indicating that sales are good. Texas had the largest number of registrations with 25,157, followed by California with 11,946, and Oklahoma with 7,102.

Lester Goodson, retiring president, told members attending the annual meeting that interest in the Quarter Horse increased more in 1956 than in any previous

year. He said that many new breeders in all parts of the United States are helping to spread the popularity of the Quarter Horse and that he was happy to see so many young people interested in the breed.

More than one million dollars was distributed to Quarter Horse owners last year in purses on tracks where racing is legal. There were 254 shows for halter and performance events during the year in 29 states, up from 173 the previous year.

Winners in Quarter Horse Show at Houston

STEEL BARS, owned by Phillips Ranch, Frisco, Texas, and Joe's Watch, owned by Sonny Harris, Bunkie, La., were named champion stallion and mare, respectively, in the Quarter Horse show at the Houston Fat Stock Show. The reserve champion stallion was Poco Stampede, owned by Mrs. G. F. Rhodes, Abilene, Texas, and the reserve champion mare was Hank's Sue, owned by Phillips Ranch.

R. T. Briscoe, Alvin, Texas, showed the champion gelding, Raymond Looney.

The get of Poco Bueno, owned by E. P. Waggoner, Vernon, Texas, topped the get of sire class.

In the reining classes, a many-time champ took top honors. Dee Gee, owned by Wanda Harper of Mason, was champion over Reserve Champ "June Taylor," owned by Fred Garrett of East Bernard.

The championship in the cutting class went to Miss Choya, owned by Louis Pearce of Houston and the reserve championship turned into a three-way tie between Phillips' Ranches Cactus Breeze,



Steel Bars, champion Quarter Horse stallion, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by Phillips Ranch, Frisco, Texas. Cathey photo.

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In the Roping Division, Cowboy, owned by Pete Reynolds of Utah, Ala., was winner and Leo Deck, entered by Shout Webster of Linapulo, Okla., was named reserve champion.

Awards to three places follow:

Stallions foaled in 1956: 1, Hank's Topper, Russell Moore, Denison, Texas; 2, King's Major, Mrs. O. H. Cailet, Dallas, Texas; 3, Poco Prince, E. P. Waggoner, Vernon, Texas.

Stallions foaled in 1955: 1, Alvarado, Paddock Ranch, Houston, Texas; 2, Joker's Duke, Louise O'Connor, Victoria, Texas; 3, Major Thunder, Jack E. Kurts, Saudi, Arabia.

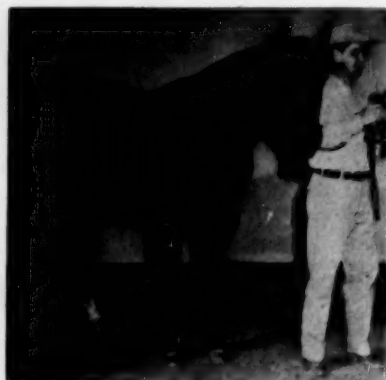
Stallions foaled in 1954: 1, Brian's El Charro, R. L. Chance, Jr., Beaumont, Texas; 2, Dell Mon-sieur, Shoe String Ranch, Polk City, Fla.; 3, Dixie Roper, Raymond Early, Wharton, Texas.

Stallions foaled in 1953 or before: 1, Steel Bars, Phillips Ranch, Frisco, Texas; 2, Poco Stampede, Mrs. G. F. Rhodes, Abilene, Texas; 3, Colonel Yogi, E. P. Waggoner, Vernon, Texas.

Grand champion stallion: Steel Bars, Phillips Ranch.

Reserve grand champion stallion: Poco Stampede, Mrs. G. F. Rhodes.

Mares foaled in 1956: 1, Poco Tie, E. P. Waggoner; 2, Poco Mayflower, Jimmie Randals, Mon-



Joe's Watch, champion Quarter Horse mare, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by Sonny Harris, Bunkie, La. Cathey photo.

toys, New Mexico; 3, Poco Electra, Phillips Ranch.

Mares foaled in 1955: 1, Poco Jan, Phillips Ranch; 2, Poco Bow Tie, E. P. Waggoner; 3, Dainty Damsel, R. Q. Sutherland, Kansas City, Mo.

Mares foaled in 1954: 1, Smoky So, E. P. Waggoner; 2, Miss Duke, Kathryn O'Connor, Victoria, Texas; 3, Ima Star, Dr. Fred S. Molt, Houston, Texas.

Mares foaled in 1953 or before: 1, Joe's Watch, Sonny Harris, Bunkie, La.; 2, Hank's Sue, Phillips Ranch; 3, Paulalika, R. S. Bar Ranch, Overland Park, Kansas.

Grand champion mare: Joe's Watch, Sonny Harris.

Reserve grand champion mare: Hank's Sue, Phillips Ranch.

Geldings foaled in 1953 or before: 1, Poco Dias, E. P. Waggoner; 2, Major's Mac, M & M Ranch, Milford, Texas; 3, George Dun, Phillips Ranch.

Geldings foaled in 1952 or before: 1, Raymond Looney, R. T. Briscoe, Alvin, Texas; 2, Macanudo Man, Artie Bittner, El Campo, Texas; 3, Fraction, J. R. Remkes, Liberty, Texas.

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Miss Choya, champion A.Q.H.A. cutting horse, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by Louis Pearce, Houston. Cathey photo.

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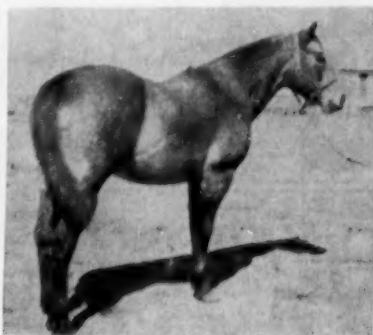
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DR. J. K. NORTHWAY, of the King Ranch, Kingsville, judged the Quarter Horse show held in conjunction with the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show at Mercedes March 16. It was the Valley's first Quarter Horse show and attracted widespread interest.

The grand champion stallion was Duke del Rancho, owned by A. A. Martin, Edinburg, with reserve honors accorded No Trouble, owned by C. M. Frost, Brookshire.

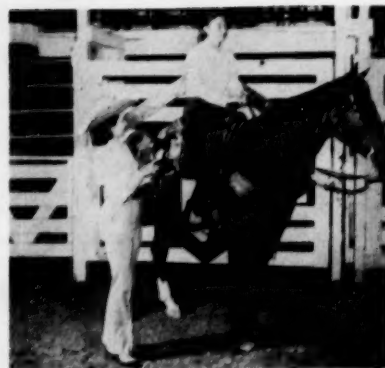
Lucky Boots, owned by Frank Machac, Hempstead, was grand champion mare and Border Miss, owned by Barbara Smith, San Juan, was reserve.

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THE Pony of Americas Club, Inc., has issued its 1957 yearbook which contains much valuable information regarding the Appaloosa pony. The club is a non-profit corporation, organized to meet the demand for larger saddle ponies for children who have outgrown the smaller Shetland ponies.

The yearbook lists the officers and directors of the club, together with state representatives and the national sales and show committees for 1957. As of January 12 the club had a membership of 82.

Leslie L. Boomhower, Mason City, Ia., is president of the Pony of Americas



Dec Gee, champion A.Q.H.A. using and reining horse, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by Wanda Harper, Mason, Texas. Cathey photo.

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L. W. Pierce Quarter Horse Dispersion

SUMMARY

32 Head \$11,925; Avg. \$373

THE L. W. Pierce, Jr. band of Quarter Horses was dispersed at Oklahoma City March 9 with 32 head selling for an average of \$373. Pierce, who ranches at Lindale, Texas, sold the horses in pasture condition.

W. P. Hillhouse of Ada, Okla., paid top money of \$1,000 for the bay stallion Skip Deck by Top Deck T. B. The blood of this stud was featured in the sale.

Glenn Maupin of Spencer, Okla., paid \$750 for May Bee Cowan, a sorrel mare by Texas bred to Skip Deck. He also purchased Cochran Queen by Chief and also bred to Skip Deck on a bid of \$690. Hillhouse purchased the mare Miss Tulsa Star in foal to Roman Nose for \$650.

Walter Britten was the auctioneer.



Cowboy, champion A.Q.H.A. roping horse, Houston Fat Stock Show, owned by Pete Reynolds, Utah, Ala. Cathey photo.

Tips on Low Pressure Areas

By WALT THE WEATHERMAN

THE WEATHERMAN gets real satisfaction from "hitting his forecast." We won't know about the year 1957 until December 31st, but headlines like the Fort Worth Star-Telegram carried on Sunday, February 17th, made Walt feel mighty good: "Heaviest Rains in Years" Soak Drouth-Hit Ranches. In the January issue of The Cattleman, Walt issued a forecast of "wetter and cooler" for Texas and the southern Great Plains, because the cycle of rainfall needs a "wet" year to readjust itself.

Weather has many interesting side-lights. It affects life and industry in many different ways. To understand weather better, I feel that it is important for us to consider some ideas that are basic. How do low pressure areas form? Why do low pressure areas form? Why should we care whether low pressure areas form, or not?

The weather forecast problem is magnified by a rotating earth. If we lived on a stationary sphere, such things as the Coriolis force could be eliminated from our thinking. You possibly know that the long-range gunner has to apply a correction to his aiming to allow for



Whatcha' mean, the barometer's falling? The weather's beautiful outside!

the deflection of the missile due to the earth's rotation.

If we took a parcel of air in Canada and moved it southward, it would be necessary to apply a correction to the expected path of the parcel. The Coriolis force causes a moving parcel to spin. It's not unlike the big-league pitcher's favorite pitch. And the end result is the same—"a curved path."

Like Meandering Rivers

Without getting any deeper, let's say that the general airstreams go around the Northern Hemisphere like great meandering rivers. One of these rivers might start out at the western tip of the Aleutian Islands, head south along the

California coast, then east to Texas, and northeast across New England into the North Atlantic Ocean.

Now, the important point—looking downstream, the air tends to "pile up" on the righthand side of this broad current of air and "diminish" on the lefthand side. If we "diminish" the air on the lefthand side of the current, we can say that there is a loss of weight, or "pressure." Air tries to rush in from all sides to "make up the pressure loss." When this occurs, a separate circulation center is often formed. It is called a "low pressure area" and has a characteristic counter-clockwise rotation in the Northern Hemisphere.

The simplest low pressure area is the "heat low" that forms over Arizona and northern Mexico. This "low" is a semi-permanent feature of the weather map during the warm months of the year. The heated air over this notably "hot" area starts to rise and air attempts to blow into the area from all sides to replace the ascending air. The counter-clockwise rotation begins. It pulls in the cool air off the Pacific Ocean that makes the California coast so delightfully cool during the summer.

My very particular interest lies in the low pressure area that forms along the lee side of mountain ranges. It is quite common to northeastern Colorado and the Texas Panhandle. But it can form both farther north and farther south of these common locations.

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blows across a mountain range, something happens to it as it reaches the lee side of the range. There is a loss of pressure, sometimes quite rapid. Here again, air rushes in from all sides, to "make up the loss." The "lee low" makes the wind blow in Amarillo for a famous number of days each year. It brings Gulf air across Texas and steers it north to make it available for cloud and rain formation. The "lee low" is the number one producer of dust storms and hot, oppressive winds from the southwest. It is the "chinook" or "foehn wind" maker. It is often the forerunner of tornadoes and severe thunderstorms. No wonder I am so interested in this type of low pressure area.

Let's say that a low pressure area formation is likely when some level of the atmosphere suffers a significant loss in weight, so that the "intruding air plus Coriolis force" gives us the characteristic circulation.

The great storms of winter are usually associated with deep low pressure areas. Hurricanes are intense low pressure areas. Tornadoes are small but very intense lows. Dust devils can, strangely enough, rotate either clockwise or counter-clockwise, depending on origin. The next time you drive along a dusty road, note the small dust devils that you create on either side of your car, rotating differently.

It might be well to remember the Buys-Ballot Law which states that "in the Northern Hemisphere, with your back to the wind, low pressure is to your left." If your barometer at home starts falling rapidly, go outside with your back to the wind. The low pressure area will be to your left. Later on, if there is a wind shift, you can roughly determine which way the low pressure area is moving.

On the weather map, low pressure areas are labelled with a big letter "L". They are prime weather-producers. Their movement and development are important. Some lows move with great regularity across the weather map. Note them carefully on your local weather television program, or in your newspaper.

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